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Economic Crisis In Britain

MOVE TO PROTECT STERLING

Drastic Retrenchment Proposals

CRIPPS MAY RESIGN ON DEVALUATION ISSUE

LONDON, June 28 (PTI-REUTER):

AN internal British economic crisis which might develop into a political crisis was forecast by well infodmed financial quarters here today.

Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer was believed to be studying some very drastic proposals for internal retrenchment, in a move to protect sterling and what remains of the country's gold reserves.

As put to the Chancellor, these proposals would include dearer money, dollar import cuts, and above all, deep cuts in Government spending.

This would involve virtual reversal of the British Socialist Government's costly progress towards the "Welfare State."

It was still believed that he would resign rather than recommend devaluation, and that he might resign even if devaluation were forced upon Britain by external pressure.

POLITICAL CRISIS

It was thought that a political crisis might be precipitated by other Ministers who are dedicated to the "Welfare State". Since all the major nationalisations, except the doubtful and still undecided case of steel, have already been financed by cheap money, these Ministers might consent to dearer money but hardly to the rest of the programme.

It was thought in financial quarters that concessions from Brussels, Washington, and London would help to smooth over the relatively unimportant dispute over European payments, but that this would not stop the deepening of the British crisis.

Pressure in Europe for devaluation was believed to be coming only from Belgium and Italy, the two countries which have followed the opposite line of Britain's policy and have rebuilt their reserves by neglecting their internal economies.

Possible post-election changes in the Belgian Government were not expected to relieve this pressure, which comes more from the Belgian National Bank than from the Belgian Government.

ALARMING DROP

Private bankers estimated that Britain's gold and dollar reserves on June 30 would be less than 400,000,000 sterling, an alarming drop from the 47,100,000,000 sterling at the end of March and the 55,200,000,000 sterling at the beginning of the Marshall Aid Programme a year ago.

Continuance of such losses would exhaust the reserves entirely in 18 months. This would be even worse than the two-year estimate announced recently by Australian Prime Minister Mr. Joseph B. Chifley.

No such continuance could be tolerated, since the reserves were already too low and had to serve a quarter of the world, the bankers said.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

It was not clear whether the impending discussions between the British and Dominion Finance Ministers in London would be a general conference of a series of individual talks.

For one thing, the Ministers might not be able to arrive in London simultaneously and they have differing economic and political situations. Canada, for instance, is not in the Sterling Area Dollar Pool, though she might rejoin it after the exhaustion of her gold loan to Britain.

It was also not clear what the Dominion Ministers could do to help, beyond demonstrating their solidarity with Britain.

They might agree to intensify their efforts to earn and save dollars, and above all to reduce their demands on Britain's resources by releases of sterling.

Both the Indian and South African Finance Ministers had arranged to come to London before it was reported that the British Government had issued a general invitation to all Commonwealth Finance Ministers.

It was believed that the South African Finance Minister, Mr. N. C. Havenga, wanted to talk about raising money in London and about his efforts to get an increase in the United States price of gold.

London authorities continued to feel that eventually the United States might choose dollar devaluation rather than deflation, but not in the immediate future.

PARIS.—The Independent Paris evening "France Soir" said today that the British struggle against the American plan for convertable intra-European payments between Marshall Aid countries have serious consequences for Europe.

"To give support entirely to Great Britain would make all the countries of Europe combine for the exclusive recovery of Britain and risk losing American aid.

"To support the United States exclusively would risk detaching Great Britain from Europe, and, in the present grave situation in Britain, would be veritable stab in the back to the British." France proposes partial convertibility, the paper added.

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E. PUNJAB PREMIER'S RECEPTION

His Excellency Shri Chandulal Trivedi, Governor of East Punjab and Lady Trivedi recently held a reception at "Barnes Court", Simla, in honour of His Excellency Shri C. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General of India. His Excellency Shri Rajagopalachari is seen shaking hands with Sardar Kapur Singh, Speaker of the East Punjab Legislative Assembly, at the function. Shrimati Namgiri and H. E. Shri Chandulal Trivedi are seen at H.E.'s left.

MOB SETS FIRE TO HOUSES

BANARAS, June 28 (PTI).—Some houses were set on fire by a crowd following the slaughter of three cows in village Hambal, in Azamgarh District yesterday morning, according to reports received by the police today.

Four persons are reported to have been injured.

The situation is now reported to be under control.

Commonwealth Finance Ministers' Conference

CRIPPS TO REVIEW SITUATION

LONDON, June 28. (PTI-Reuter).

COMMONWEALTH Finance Ministers, called to London for talks about mid-July on Britain's gold and dollar crisis, will hear a review of the country's whole financial situation by Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps, it was understood tonight.

At the same time the trade position may be outlined by the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson. Reports that British Premier Clement Attlee had suggested a world economic conference were denied in Government quarters to-day.

Sir Stafford denied in the House of Commons to-day that the United States had put pressure on him to devalue sterling. He had received no such proposals from the Marshall Aid authorities. He also told the House that he was certain that a common determination to work for European co-operation and the "liberation and multi-lateralisation" of European trade would lead to a solution of Europe's problem.

Warning the House against exaggeration, he said he was leaving for Paris to-day for a talk with M. Paul Henri Spaak, the former Belgian Premier, who is also Chairman of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, before to-morrow's Paris meeting on the intra-European payments scheme.

To-morrow's meeting has been called in an attempt to reconcile opposing British and Belgian views on the operation of the intra-European payments scheme. Belgium wants convertibility of credits given by a debtor to a creditor nation under the Marshall Plan.

Britain objects on the ground that as a debtor this would involve a still further drain on her dollar and gold reserves. There was some suggestion in London that Sir Stafford's preliminary talks to-night with M. Spaak might indicate a compromise in the Belgian and British points of view over the payments plan, but it was pointed out that the meeting was likely to deal only with procedure for to-morrow's business.

It is believed the Chancellor and Mr. Averell Harriman, Marshall Aid Roving Ambassador will meet in Paris hopeful that some solution of European payments would be reached without Britain suffering excessive drains on her dollar and gold reserves. All parties in the discussion are believed to have full sympathy with the British situation at heart but necessarily are alert to any plans put forward by

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No Pressure To Devalue Sterling

LONDON, June 28 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, denied in the House of Commons today that the United States had put pressure on him to devalue sterling.

Mr. John Platts-Mills (Left-Wing Labour Independent) asked wha ptroposals he had received from the Marshall Aid Authorities to the effect that sterling should be devalued.

The Chancellor replied briefly: "None".

Mr. Platts-Mills further asked: "Does not the Chancellor agree that all sections of the public are bitterly opposed to accepting this surrender to the Americans"?.

Sir Stafford Cripps: "No. There has been no pressure upon me whatsoever"

Mr. Ivor Thomas, who recently resigned from the Labour Party because of the decision to nationalise steel, asked the Chancellor to give a "much stronger denial to counter the belief that sterling will be devalued".

"Is he willing to resign rather than accept devaluation?" Mr. Thomas asked.

Labour members cheered for a full minute when the Chancellor replied "I shan't change my party anyway".

One More Member For Tariff Board

NEW DELHI, June 28. (UPI): The Government of India has decided to expand the Indian Tariff Board to enable it to cope with the pressure of work pending for disposal the Tariff Board which at present consists of four members will henceforth have a fifth member in the person of Mr. B. N. Adarkar, at present Deputy Economic Adviser to the Government of India.

Mr. Adarkar is expected to join his new office from July 1.

MOB VIOLENCE AGAIN IN CALCUTTA

Bus And Tram Car Set On Fire: One Killed

CALCUTTA, June 28 (P.T.I.).

ONE person was killed and at least half-a-dozen, including a police officer, were injured, in a clash in the College Street area of Central Calcutta this evening between the police and a procession held in defiance of orders under Section 144 Cr. P. C., now in force in the city.

The processionists, when intercepted by the police, threw bombs. The police first used tear gas and then fired 12 rounds to disperse the crowd. One body was taken to hospital with bullet injury.

The crowd set fire to a bus and tram car, but the flames were extinguished soon. On the arrival of police reinforcements the crowd dispersed.

The procession originated from a meeting at the University Institute Hall, which demanded the appointment of a three-man committee to go into the grievances of the Communist prisoners now on hunger strike in different jails in West Bengal.

ATTACK ON TRAMCARS

After the meeting had dispersed, a section of the crowd formed themselves into a procession and proceeded towards College Street via Mirzapore Street. When intercepted by the police at the crossing of Mirzapore and College Street, a number of bombs were thrown, resulting in serious injury to one person.

The police first tear-gased and then fired 12 rounds to disperse the crowd, which, however, spread over other areas and started stoning tramcars and buses. An attempt was made to set fire to a running tramcar on Harrison Road but it was quickly extinguished by the passengers and tramwaymen. Police reinforcements soon arrived from Lalbazar headquarters and the crowd melted away. The situation is now peaceful.

Six injured persons have been removed to Medical College hospital, where the condition of one is stated to be precarious.

RAILWAY STATION RAIDED

Rishra railway station, 11 miles from Calcutta on the East Indian Railway, was raided last night by a band of persons who set fire to the station master's room. The fire was put out by the station staff. Some damage was done to railway property. The station is now under police guard.

The raid occurred at about ten at night. The men numbering about 20, hurled acid bulbs at the employees on duty, poured petrol and set the room on fire. The ticket shelves were thrown down and cash collections scattered on the floor. It is not yet known whether any railway cash is missing.

Two employees who were on duty at the time went out and collected the other staff from their quarters to resist the raiders. When they came back, the raiders had left after attempting to damage a fire extinguisher kept in the station. The flames were however, put out with the extinguisher.

No arrest has yet been reported.

EXPLOSION IN FACTORY

Two persons were injured as a result of a bomb explosion this morning in an American-owned factory in North Calcutta, where a clash had occurred yesterday between loyal workers and strikers resulting in one person being killed.

Following the explosion today the police searched the premises of the factory and recovered five live bombs, some acid bulbs and a rifle bayonet which had been snatched away from the police during yesterday's disturbance. Two persons alleged to be responsible for the explosion have been arrested.

Jain Guru Walks 500 Miles!

SURAT, June 28 (P.T.I.): Acharya Vijayaramchandra Suruji, a well-known Jain guru, arrived here this afternoon from Cutch. He walked the whole distance of about 500 miles.

Jains of Surat welcomed him and took in a procession headed by an elephant and 41 decorated chariots.

The Jain Guru will spend this month known as "Chaturmas" in Surat.

TEXTILE CONTROL MAY GO IN AUGUST

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, June 28: It is reliably learned that Bombay Government will withdraw the cloth rationing from the Province from August, '49. This is considered as the second step towards decontrol, after removing all restrictions on coarse and medium cloths.

It is further learned that the financial crisis in textile industry is causing hardships to mills and two well-known mills here producing fine cloth, have been sold to a Bombay party.

Not A Revised Instrument Of Accession

NEW DELHI, June 28. (PTI): The Ruler of Mysore has signed a Supplementary Instrument of Accession and not a revised instrument, says a press note.

It adds: "The Supplementary Instrument provides for accession to the Dominion of India in respect of matters specified in the Federal and concurrent legislative lists excepting those relating to taxation. The original Instrument of Accession was in respect of only three subjects, namely, defence, external affairs and communications".

JOINT APPROACH TO S. AFRICA

India's Proposal To Pakistan

TALKS ON TREATMENT OF NATIONALS

KARACHI, June 28 (PTI-Reuter).

INDIA has proposed to Pakistan that the two countries approach South Africa jointly to discuss the treatment of their nationals in the Union, it was authoritatively learned here today.

Pakistan has not yet replied but usualy well-informed quarters here considered that the Government was likely to give the proposal its full support.

Such talks between the three countries would be in accordance with a United Nations resolution which suggested Round Table discussions between the three countries on the subject of nationals.

One source here said that there was no likelihood at present of restrictions being lifted on exports from Pakistan to South Africa.

DR. P. P. PILLAI FOR JAPAN

Head Of Liaison Mission In Tokyo

NEW DELHI, June 28: Dr. Purushottama Padmanabha Pillai, at present India's Chargo d'Affaires in Paris, has been appointed Head of the Indian Liaison Mission in Tokyo and Political Representative of India with S.C.A.P., with the personal rank of Ambassador.

Dr. Pillai, who is 55 years old, received his education at Maharaja's College and Law College, Trivandrum. He then proceeded to the London School of Economics where he took his Ph. D. degree in economics and political science. Thereafter he studied law and was called to the bar from Middle Temple, London.

In 1924, he entered the service of the International Labour Organisation. From 1929 to 1947 he was representative of the ILO in India and Director of its Indian branch and in 1947, he was Chairman of the ILO's Asiatic Mission.

Since July 1947 he has been India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations and is at present Charge d'Affairs for India in Paris.

DESHPANDE MEETS GODSE IN PRISON

Plans For Mercy Petition Discussed

AMBALA, June 28 (PTI).—Mr. V. G. Deshpande, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, interviewed Nathuram Godse and Narayan Apte, condemned to death in the Gandhi murder case, this evening in the Ambala Central Jail.

Mr. Deshpande told the press that he discussed with the prisoners the question of submitting mercy petitions and the defence arrangements for fighting their appeals.

HYDERABAD MONEYS FOR PAKISTAN

2 Crores Transferred

HYDERABAD, June 28 (PTI).—Capital estimated at Rs. two crores has been transferred from Hyderabad to Pakistan during the six months after the police action, it was learned here today. The amount represents a daily average of nearly Rs. one lakh.

The flight of capital, it was stated, constitutes direct bank remittances and does not include moneys transferred to Pakistan via the Indian Union.

PERMITS TO INDIA FROM PAKISTAN

New Procedure

KARACHI, June 28. (UPI): Revised procedure for permits to India are being introduced by the High Commissioner for India in Pakistan from July 1.

The application forms for permits have been revised and divided into seven categories. Applications for permits are required to bear a passport size photograph of the applicant. These additional photographs will also required for use in connection with permits to be issued.

THE TIDIEST POST OFFICE IN INDIA

KODAIKANAL, June 27 (PTI): The Reverend Brother Peter, Post Master of the Shembaganur Sub-Post Office on the Kodaikanal Hills, was presented with a gold wrist watch in appreciation of his services for over thirty years in maintaining "the tidiest post office in the Dominion of India."

The Post Master-General, Madras, who presented the watch to Reverend Peter on behalf of the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, said that Shembaganur Post Office was an object lesson in tidiness and maintenance of records that it could easily become the training ground for postal employees. Shembaganur was the only post office which had never run out of stock of any form at any time, he added.

Korean Border Fighting

U. N. COMMISSION VISITS SCENE

LAKE SUCCESS, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Korean Commission reported today that heavy fighting, involving artillery and machinegun fire, was in progress at a point near the border between northern and southern Korea.

The Commission visited the scene of the incident and returned to Seoul last night.

According to its report, which was cabled to Lake Success, the fighting is between troops from southern (American-occupied) Korea and conteingents of the northern Korean army.

KARENS DIG IN AT NAUGLEBIN

Rail Tracks Destroyed

RANGOON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Burma Army radio tonight reported an unsuccessful attack by Karen and Communist rebels on Kyauktan, on the railway 34 miles north of Rangoon. Government artillery shelled rebel positions at Paungtwe, south of Kyauktan, the radio said. The rebels returned the fire.

The broadcast said Karens were destroying rail tracks and digging in at Nauglebin, 59 miles further north.

Mrs. Ammu Swaminathan (Centre) who flew on Tuesday to Geneva to attend UNESCO Conference.

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Tender documents will be issued on and after 8th July, 1949.

Tenders will be received on 22nd July, 1949.

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Applications, which must be in the candidates' own handwriting, stating age, nationality, domicile, previous experience, academic and other special qualifications, etc., accompanied by references and copies of testimonials (which will not be returned) should be forwarded to the undersigned in sealed covers marked "Welfare Worker" so as to reach him not later than 11th July 1949. Canvassing directly or indirectly will be considered a disqualification.

BATUK H. MEHTA,
Chief Labour Officer.

Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.
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INCREASE IN WHARFAGE CHARGE ON HORNED CATTLE.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE

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AUCTION SALES

IN ACCORDANCE with Section 167 and 184 of the Sea Custom Act 1878 under instruction from the Collector of Customs, Bombay Messrs. Menesse & Co. will sell by public Auction on Wednesday the 29th June, 1949, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the New Customs House, Ballard Road, confiscated Goods such as Cotton and Woollen Piece Goods, Art Silk, Cotton Thread, and other miscellaneous goods.

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NO FILM SHOWS ON JUNE 30

Nation-Wide Protest Against Entertainment Tax

BOMBAY, June 28: A spokesman of India's film industry claimed today that 2,200 cinemas throughout the country would shut down for a day on June 30 to protest against recent entertainment tax increases in various provinces.

But these tax increases were not the only "maladies" of the industry, according to this spokesman. In fact, in his opinion, the film industry in this country was now passing through the "greatest crisis" of its history.

These were the elements that made the crisis:

1. The industry needed at least 5,000 theatres, but there were only 2,200.

2. The industry lost crores of rupees in box-office returns due to the unsettled conditions in parts of the country following partition.

3. Partition had sliced off a big area from the industry's sphere of operations and income from Pakistan was steadily going down.

4. Nearly 60 per cent of income was "taken away" in the form of taxes.

5. Foreign competition.

6. The 'morality drive" by various Provincial Governments.

LACK OF CINEMA HOUSES

The spokesman said India was now producing twice as many pictures as last year, as the raw film shortage was no longer there. But one of the greatest problems facing the industry today was to find the cinema halls for showing these pictures. Sometimes, he said, the release of new productions was held up for months due to "release congestion." This meant the locking up of huge sums of capital.

India had at present only 2,200 cinemas as against the industry's need of at least 5,000 cinemas. Comparing the figure with that of Great Britain, he said India with nine times the population of Britain had only less than half the number of cinemas in that country. In America, there were about 18,500 cinemas while Russia had about 24,000. Yet India was only second to U.S.A. in producing pictures, Britain being 'a poor third.' While U.S.A. produced 370 feature films last year, India produced 270 and and Britain only 58.

The industry lost crores of rupees due to disturbances in the country after partition in 1947. The loss due to abandonment of shows on account of curfews in different parts of the country was alone estimated to run into crores of rupees. Due to communal disturbances in Bombay and post-partition developments, cinemas had to close down night shows for months.

After the partition, the income of the industry in Pakistan had also gone down considerably. Further, India was fast losing Pakistan as a good market. Pakistan now took only certain films which did not have any tinge of Indian nationalism or religious bias. Display of the Indian national flag in films was banned in Pakistan. Again, India could not produce films suitable for Pakistan alone as the market there was "poor". Pakistan had only 400 cinemas

Indian pictures, however, had a good market in the Middle East countries, South Africa, Malaya, Ceylon and Burma.

HARD HIT

The increased entertainment tax, said the spokesman, hit the industry very hard. Besides this tax there were 15 other taxes affecting industry. They took away more than 50 per cent of the income, he added. For example in Central Provinces and Berar the entertainment tax was 50 per cent of the gate money. This figure was believed to be the highest in the world on the whole, he said, 60 per cent of the industry's income was "taken away" in the form of taxes. It had only 40 per cent to "live on and thrive."

With a view to avoiding "the vagaries" of provincial film censor bodies, which at times "mutilated" the pictures badly, the industry had requested the Government of India to set up a central body of film censors, the spokesman said.

Further, on the suggestion of the industry, the Central Government had constituted an Inquiry Committee which would commence work shortly. This Committee would go into conditions-financial and productional— of the industry and recommend remedial measures to the Government.

The expenditure of the industry on production of films at present was about 9 crores and income from box office was about 12 crores. The industry employed about 1,00,000 persons

VAGARIES AND INCONSISTENCIES

Foreign pictures were being shown in India on a large scale, particularly in the more important cities and towns, the spokesman said. American and British films had always enjoyed a world market for their products and they had much superior resources as compared to those available to the Indian industry. "Our greatest advantage over foreign films has been language", the spokesman remarked. "Attempts have been made by them to nullify this advantage of ours by introducing their pictures in Indian languages. In 1948, a popular British picture's Baghdad Ki Chor', produced in Hindustani was very well received in India. The Indian film industry has asked the Government to save it from this menace by appropriate safeguards."

Referring to the "morality drive" by Provincial Governments, the spokesman said:—

"On many occasions, important scenes or cruicial links in the story are cut. Sometimes conversations which the censors think "obscene" are cut, marring the beauty of construction of the story. On one occasion a picture was asked to be withdrawn from circulation in 24 hours, just because it continued a dance scene which they considered "obscene".

"There are no precise ideas about moral standards and censorship, thus leading to vagaries, inconsistencies, mistakes and the like".

V. J. T. I. STUDENTS GO ON STRIKE

Sequel To Order To Vacate Hostel

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Over five hundred students of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Matunga went on strike to-day as a protest against the notice issued by the Principal of the Institute asking 48 resident students to vacate the hostel immediately.

The classes were practically deserted and the students gathered in the compound and vociferously shouted down the action of the Principal. A meeting of the students was held in the hostel to acquaint the students with the issues of the strike.

A meeting of the staff, it is learnt will be held in the afternoon to consider the situation arising out of the strike.

It is learnt, the students have decided to make representation to the Managing Board of the Institute and if necessary, approach the Education Minister of Bombay.

Meanwhile, it is learnt the Institute authorities have appointed a committee to go into the demands of the students.

PRINTING WORK OF BOMBAY GOVERNMENT

Enquiry Committee Set Up

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay has appointed a Committee to inquire into its printing requirements, the facilities existing at present at the Government presses, including those at Baroda and Kolhapur, and to suggest measures for the efficient disposal of Government printing work. The personnel of the Committee, which will submit its report to the Government within a period of three months, is Mr. F. Borton, General Manager, Caxton Printing Press, Bombay; Mr. Dhirajlal Dalal, of Associated Advertisers and Printers, Limited, Bombay; and Mr. R. R. Bakhale, of the Servants of India Society, Bombay. Mr. E. K. Wagle, Officer on special duty in the Health and Local Government Department, will act as Secretary to the Committee.

The Committee will also examine the necessity of a separate press for the High Court.

Boarders Of Backward Class Hostels

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Boarders in the Backward Class Hostels in the Province of Bombay will be given stipends at the increased rate of Rs. 12 month during the financial year 1949-50. The Administrative Officers of the District School Boards have been advised accordingly.

Illegal Mint Unearthed

THREE PERSONS IN CUSTODY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A heap of eight anna coins turned out by an illegal 'mint', dies and other instruments used for manufacture of these counterfeit coins, were seized last week-end in a ramshackle little room, in an obscure chawl at Ghodbunder Road.

The raid on the room at Chooneabatti was carried out by a posse of constables from Santa Cruz headed by Inspector Rustom Patel and Sub-Inspector Variava of the Railway Police.

The first clue to the secret mint was afforded, it is stated, when the railway police arrested a passenger—Hasanali Haidershah—in a local train at Bandra some time ago. After intensive investigations, the police came to suspect the existence of an organised attempt to put out counterfeit eight anna coins into circulation.

The raid on the room situated near the Bandra Bus Company's Depot was the culmination of this inquiry.

Three more persons, Dulla Rahimtoola, Sajadali Shamsuddin and Mohamed Hanif Noor Mahomed alleged to be connected with the minting activities have since been taken into custody and challaned before the Presidency Magistrate at Andheri.

Yacht Club To House Government Offices

The century-old Royal Yacht Club, situated on Port Trust ground at Apollo Bunder, near the Gateway of India, Bombay, will shortly house a number of offices of the Bombay Government.

The vast edifice which is constructed on the lines of an English feudal castle housed the Royal Yacht Club for nearly a hundred years and after the expiry of the 99 years' lease which gave the Club, the plot on which it was built, the Club had to give up the premises and shift to its annexe across the Road.

The premises of the old Club are now being repaired to enable the Bombay Government to shift some of its overcrowded offices.

The film division of the Publicity Department of the Government of Bombay will be shifted to the Yacht Club building, where it is stated, it will have its own studio.

Soap Bars In Place Of Menthol

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Pydhonie Police arrested one Govind Shiddoo on Monday for alleged cheating in respect of goods valued at Rs. 16,199.

It was alleged in the court of Mr. James Menezes, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court today that the accused was entrusted by his employers, a firm of chemists, with 13 cases of menthol crystals which were to be despatched by rail to Madras. The accused returned some time later with a duly signed receipt for the cases. Yesterday however, his employers received a trunk call from the consignees at Madras who alleged that five of the cases contained soap bars.

The accused was remanded to police custody pending enquiries.

COIMBATORE, June 27 (PTI)—A portrait of Mahatma Gandhi was unveiled last night by the Premier of Madras, Mr. P. S. Kumarswamy Raja at the Officers Club, Forest College, Coimbatore.

SCHEME TO LINK SANTA CRUZ 'DROME WITH BOMBAY BY RAIL

Underground Pipe Line System For Refuelling Aircraft

BOMBAY, June 28, (API): The question of linking up the international airport of Santa Cruz with Bombay by rail is one of the items of the five years development programme of civil aviation.

The airport is at present reached only by cars and taxis and the provision of a rail link will be an additional amenity for air passengers, visitors and staff of civil aviation department.

The scheme envisages the construction of a two-mile electric train loop line between the proposed new terminal building and Vila Parle railway station, thus linking the airport with either the Victoria Terminus or Churchgate stations.

When this link is established by the Railway Board, airlines coaches plying between the airport and the city may be discontinued.

This rail link will also enable the transport of imported aviation petrol in bulk to the aviation petrol station at the airport.

An underground pipe line system for refuelling aircraft parked near the terminal apron will also be laid. This will facilitate direct refuelling of aircraft instead of the present outmoded methods of filling from bowsers. This scheme has recently been put into operation at the Colombo airport by a team of experts of an oil company. Similar arrangements also exist in European countries. When the new system is adopted here, Santa Cruz will be first airport in India to instal it. It has been planned to locate the aviation petrol station a couple of miles away from the terminal building.

SRINAGAR, June 27 (PTI)—The Jammu and Kashmir Government have granted compensary allowance equal to 40 per cent of the basic pay to all officials serving in the Arnas area in the Raisi district of the Jammu province.

Scholarships To Backward Class Students

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay has been receiving complaints in respect of the delay in the payment of scholarships to Backward Class students in Government and non-Government educational institutions in the Province. Instructions are, therefore, being issued to the heads of such institutions to forward regularly bills for scholarships on the 1st of every month for the preceding month to the authorities sanctioning the scholarships, so that payment can be made before the 10th of every month, without fail. Any breach of these instructions will be viewed by the Government with disfavour.

Went To Trap Snake And Got Fatally Bitten

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A snake-charmer died yesterday from the bite of a snake which he went to trap for his roadside act.

It was stated at the Coroner's Court to-day, that Sahabkhan Kassam, aged 40, a snake-charmer residing in a hut at Zopadpatti, Pipe Road, Kurla, went to the jungles at Sakee Naka on Sunday afternoon to catch a snake for his act. The snake which was snared into a trap specially laid for it, bit his index finger.

Sahabkhan was admitted to the K. E. M. Hospital the same day for treatment. He died yesterday morning.

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Muslim: Ramzan 2, 1366
Parsi: Deh 30, 1316
Sunrise: 6-4 a.m.
Sunset: 7-20 p.m.
Hightide: 01-24, 14-26
Lowtide: 07-26, 20-38

STANDING COMMITTEE: Municipal Standing Committee meeting at 3-40 p.m.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: Municipal Schools Committee meeting at 3-40 p.m.

PASSENGERS AND TRAFFIC RELIEF ASSOCIATION: Annual General Meeting at premises of Association, Albert Building, Hornby Road, 5 p.m.

BOMBAY AUTOMOBILE EMPLOYEES' UNION: Meeting of members at Vithal Sadan, Congress House, 6 p.m. Mr. S. L. Silam presides. Agenda: Housing Co-operative Society, Firestone Clerks dispute, Bombay Cycle and Motor Agency Award, Demand of Bonus in 13 automobile concerns.

EFFICIENCY CIRCLE OF INDIA: Reading by Mr. P. P. Pevawala, Lotus House, Marine Lines, 6-15 p.m.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet councillors of ward No. 31-32, Worli-Poibawdi near Bengal Chemical Factory, Cadell Road at 8 a.m. on Friday July 1 and go round the ward.

IN AID OF GANDHI FUND

In aid of the Mahatma Gandhi Fund, Mr. Noshirvan H. Jhabvala will give a programme of classical music with accompaniments at Alexandra Girls High School from 4-30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday, July 3. No tickets but donations welcomed.

SALOON EMPLOYEES' UNION

A general body meeting of the employees working in hair dressing saloons was held in Vithal Sadan. It decided to affiliate their union to the I.N.T.U.C. and the Rashtriya Gumastha Sangh running under the auspices of the Hindustan Mazdoor Sangh. The meeting also requested the Central Government to amend the payment of Wages Act so as to make it applicable to shop assistants.

BULLION EXCHANGE STAFF UNION

The Secretary of the above Union informs that the Union is affiliated to the Bombay Shop Assistants' (Gumasthas') Federation and not the newly started "Rashtriya Gumstah Sangh."

RADIO

BOMBAY, Wednesday, June 29
BOMBAY—A
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Mohammad Khan (Sitar) 7-45 Khursheed Husain (Ghazal) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Mohammad Qasam (Geet) 8-45 News (G).
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
12-45 p.m. Musical Interlude 12-50 Mohammad Qasam (Bhairavin) 1-0 News (G) 1-10 As in Bombay B 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
from 5-0 to 7-15 p.m.
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
from 8-0 to 11-0 p.m.
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 Khursheed Husain (Ghazal) 5-15 W. Narayan Rao (Kannada songs) 5-30 As in Bombay B 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-20 Sundarbai Jadhav (Bhajan) 6-30 Mohammad Khan (Sitar) 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Locals 7-15 Hirabai Javeri (Gorakh Kalyan) 7-45 Gazals and Qawwalis 8-0 S. V. Satardakar (Bhavgeet) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 As in Bombay B 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 As in Bombay B 10-0 Jer Sabawala: Soprano (Tosti) 10-15 Columbia Broadcasting Orchestra 10-30 Goody Seerval 10-45 Music of David Rose.

BOMBAY—B
353 m. (850 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. As in Bombay A 7-45 News (K) 8-0 Kesarbai Bandodkar (Gujari Todi) 8-30 News (M) 8-45 Sundrabai Jadhav (Bhajan).
353 m. (850 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
12-45 p.m. As in Bombay A 12-50 News (M) 1-0 S. V. Satardekar (Bhavgeet) 1-10 Sangit Mudrika 1-40 News (H) 1-50 Tea-Shop or Women's Programme.
353 m. (850 kc/s)
from 5-0 to 7-45 p.m.
41.44 me. (7,240 kc/s)
from 7-30 to 11-0 p.m.
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)
4-30 As in Bombay A 5-30 Hirabai Javeri (Patdeep) 6-0 Mohammad Qasam (Bhajan and Mand) 6?15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 Rs in Bombay A 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 News (K) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Kesarbai Bandodkar (Bhajan) 8-30 Nae Nae Film 8-45 Mohammad Khan (Sitar) 9-0 Hirabai Javeri (Matkaus) 9-30 Sitar Aur Jaltarang 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Week in Retrospect by M. Idgunji 10-0 "Meghdoot" 10-30 Kesarbai Bandodkar (Bageshri).

BARODA: AHMEDABAD.
250 m. (1,200 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Raag Sangeet 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Bachu Bhai Soni (Khayal Hindol) 8-45 News (G) 6-0 p.m. News (E) 6-10 Soma Bhai Mistry (Dilruba) 6-25 Raman Lal Murtowala (Geet) 6-35 Gramjano Mate (From Baroda only) 6-35 Majur Bhaivo Mate (From Ahmedabad) 7-0 Stree Sammelan.
326.1 m. (920 kc/s)
7-30 p.m. Shantilal N. Patni (Chhayanat) 7-45 Raman Lal Murtiwala (Geeto) 8-0 Geet Gurjari 8-10 Locals 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Somabhai Mistry (Dilruba par Durgia) 8-45 Shantilal N. Patni (Bhajan) 9-0 News (H) 9-15 Hanpasand Geeto 9-30 "Govinda Ala" 9-45 Bharatiya Sangeet 10-0 Bachubhai Soni (Khayal Vilambit and Drut).

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STRIKE COSTS CITY Rs. 50,000 A DAY

Night Shift Sweepers Refuse To Take Reduced Wages

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The strike of Municipal Sweepers of Bombay, which enters its 46th day today is costing the city Rs. 50,000 per day according to estimates made by certain unofficial parties.

The Municipal administration itself has not so far taken the press or the public into confidence or provided detailed information even of the number of men at work from day to day. Whatever information has been furnished on these points, has been given at secret meetings of the Municipal Standing Committee and the Corporation.

As far as it can be unofficially estimated it, is gathered that there are about 5,000 men inclusive of the loyal workers as well as new recruits, who are at present carrying on the work of keeping the city clean. As this labour force could not cope with the work in a single shift a second shift was introduced and sweepers worked from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at night. It is estimated that the wages of the 5,000 sweepers may work out at Rs. six per day. This alone would account for a sum of Rs. 30,000 per day.

Beside the cost of mechanisation and the innumerable experiments, have to be added, the cost of special precautions taken by the Health Department to safeguard against the outbreak of epidemics.

This is offset by the non-payment of wages to the striking sweepers. Whether these will have to be paid for the strike period if and when they resume and what part they have to be paid if any, are all matters which will arise as part of the settlement negotiations.

This estimate, however cannot in any way be confirmed through official sources.

In answer to questions put to him today by pressmen, Mr. B. K. Patel, the Municipal Commissioner stated, that the number of men employed on the night shift varied from 300 to 700. They were being paid Rs. 3-8 for shift. He found this rate prohibitive for four hours work and it was now proposed to pay only Rs. 2-8 per day. The workers had not accepted the new rate and therefore the night shift had been discontinued since Saturday last.

Mr. Patel also indicated today the exact nature of the concession he had offered to the strikers in his talks with Mr. R. R. Bhole, scheduled caste leader from Poona, who last week intervened in the dispute. This was in reference to dismissed workers—there are about 600 of them. The workers wanted to be reinstated. The Municipal Commissioner said that he would re-employ them but not reinstate them. This meant that they would start on the lowest scale and not on the scales that they may have been drawing in virtue of the length of service. The Municipal Commissioner also offered not to discontinue their Provident Fund and Gratuity benefits. But the workers wanted full reinstatement from the point they left off.

Mr. Bhole has again arrived in the city. But till noon today he had not contacted the Municipal Commissioner nor had he taken any appointment. It is understood that he first proposes to confer with the members of the Executive Committee of thte Bombay Municipal Kamgar Sangh before he plans his next move.

WORKING OF FILM CENSORS BOARD

'Undue Hardship To Industry Being Avoided'

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. S. A. Iyer, Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay, told a meeting of the Bombay Rotary Club today at the Greens Hotel that the Bombay Board of Film Censors functioned on the principle of avoiding undue hardships to the film industry and of not banning any films as far as possible.

Mr. Iyer, who is also the President of the Board, was speaking on "The work of the Bombay Board of Film Censors".

Giving an intimate and factual picture of the working of the Board, Mr. Iyer said that every film was censored after going through a long and thorough procedure. First a film was seen by the Examiner; then a Sub-Committee of the Board goes through it. The final appellate authority is the Government of Bombay. Very often the Home Minister himself sees a film before it is banned and he takes a dispassionate and independent view of his own irrespective of the decision of the members of the Board.

Mr. Iyer said that some films were passed over after only two minutes discussion, while on certain occasions the Board used to discuss for as long a period as two years.

Before a film was banned, the fullest opportunity was given to the industry and producers to explain their difficulties, he said. No action had been taken without the industry being consulted earlier.

Mr. Iyer continuing said that the work of the Board has recently increased considerably. The total number of films examined by the Board in 1946-47 was 1995; in 1947-48 26.00 and in 1948-49 3473. In 1946-47 no Indian films were banned. In 1947-48 only one Indian film and ten foreign films were banned while in the current year two Indian and four foreign films were banned which meant a 60 per cent drop in the banning of foreign films over the previous year.

Dutch Seaman Convicted

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Petrius Van Beelal, described as a Dutch seaman, who was arrested in the dock area by Preventive Section of the Customs Police on charge of possessing a revolver and twelve live cartridges, was convicted and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment by Rao Saheb C. B. Velkar, Presidency Magistrate, at Esplanade Court today.

BIGGEST BUS DEPOT IN ASIA

B.E.S.T. Plan To House 300 Vehicles

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A new Rs. 25 lakhs worth bus depot will be constructed by the Bombay Electric Supply and Transport Committee of the Bombay Municipality to house 300 vehicles and provide washing, oiling and servicing facilities for buses.

The new project, it is claimed by B.E.S.T. officials, will be biggest of its kind in Asia. The depot will be able to do oiling and servicing in a short span of three minutes by its modern equipment. Today, the servicing and oiling are done by manual labour.

Besides servicing, the depot will provide unto-date canteen facilities for the B.E.S.T. staff and accomodate some of the training schools for the bus driver and conductors.

Construction of the proposed depot, which will be undertaken towards the end of this year, is expected to reduce operation delays to the minimum.

"Limited Stop" bus services on the "D" route has started from yesterday. The B.E.S.T. authorities have also decided to run special faster services on "B" and "O" lines shortly.

Bonus For Mill Workers

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Millowners' Association have notified that the second instalment of bonus which was to be paid on June 25, 1949, but not accepted by a vast majority of workers will now be paid on Thursday, June 30 in terms of the recent Ordinance. In the case of those mills which are to be closed for stock taking on June 30, 1949, payment of bonus will be made on Wednesday, June 29, 1949.

WEATHER

POONA, June 28 (PTI): Following is the daily weather summary for Tuesday, the 28th June, 1949:

The monsoon has been week outside Malabar and Assam. A western disturbance is moving across the extreme north of the country.

Rainfall has been widespread in Malabar and Assam and occurred locally in Mysore, the Madras, Deccan, Hyderabad, the West Central Provinces, Madhya Bharat and West Bengal. Scattered showers have also occurred in South-East Madras. The North Madras coast, the Bombay Deccan, the Konkan, the East Central Provinces, East-Rajputana, Hills of the West United Provinces, the East United Provinces, Chota Nagpur and Orissa.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal in the southern parts of the United Provinces, in Vindhya Pradesh, Saurashtra and Gujerat.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 29TH: The monsoon will continue to be weak outside Malabar and Assam. Rainfall will be fairly widespread in Malabar and Assam. Local rain is likely in West Benbal and scattered showers are likely in the rest of North-East India and the Peninsula and in the Central parts of the country. Scattered dust or thunderstorms are likely in North Rajputana and the East Punjab.

Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, with total rainfall from 1st June, 1949, and departure from normal recorded at 08-30 hrs. (IST) June 28, 1949:

Ahmedabad 100 85 0 0.1 minus 3.2, Ahmednagar 91 73 0 2.7 minus 2.5, Ajmer 98 81 0 1.8 minus 0.3, Allahabad 100 83 0.1 1.0 minus 3.3, Bangalore 85 67 0.1 3.4 plus 0.7, Baroda 101 84 0 0.8 minus 4.8, Banaras 100 82 0.2 0.3 minus 3.5, Bhopal 91 75 0.1 2.5 minus 3.7, Bhuj 95 81 0 0.7 minus 0.6, BOMBAY 89 81 0 16.5 minus 1.1, Calcutta 93 82 0 8.0 minus 2.8, Cherrapunji 66 64 8.3 70.6 minus 29.3, Cochin 83 74 0.5 22.8 minus 4.1, Cuttack 86 81 0 5.7 minus 3.2, Dehra Dun 92 76 0 2.6 minus 4.8, Delhi 100 84 0 0.2 minus 2.4, Gwalior 105 82 0 0.4 —, Hyderabad (Dn) 88 74 0 5.0 plus 0.9, Indore 91 77 T 7.6 plus 2.3, Kolhapur 85 72 0 1.7— Lahore 104 75 0 0.7 minus 0.8, Lucknow 98 83 0 4.5 plus 0.6, Madras 95 79 0 3.8 plus 2.1, Mahabaleshwar 68 64 0.2 14.1 minus 2.2 22.9, Mangalore 78 71 4.5 44.8 plus 10.1, Multan 106 80 0 0.5 0, Mussoorie 74 2 0 4.1 minus 3.7, Mysore 83 69 0 1.6 minus 0.8, Nagpur 91 75 1.0 13.1 plus 5.0, Ootacamund 64 54 0 3.7 minus 2.5, Pachmarhi 84 71 0 4.0 minus 4.2, Patiala — 81 0 0 — — Patna 94 80 0 8.3 plus 1.6, Peshawar 97 75 0 0.1 minus 0.1, Poona 88 73 0 0.5 minus 3.7, Port Blair 85 75 0.1 24.9 plus 4.8, Quetta 84 66 0 0 minus 0.1, Rajkot 100 81 0 1.0 minus 3.7, Ranchi 90 71 0 9.0 plus 1.2, Shillong 69 64 0.7 14.6 minus 2.7, Sholapur 92 76 0 4.1 minus 0.1, Simla 76 61 0 2.3 minus 2.9, Surat 93 84 0 0.9 minus 6.8, Trivandrum 82 74 0 10.9 minus 1.7, Vizagapatam 90 79 0.7 4.1 plus 0.2.

Fair Weather To Continue

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Fair weather will continue in Bombay City and suburbs during the next 24 hours stated the Weather Forecasting station, Santa Cruz at noon today.

The monsoon were weakening along the Konkan where only a few places recorded light rain. These conditions are likely to continue for the next 24 hours.

City Mill Duped Of Rs. 8,935

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The New India Rayon Mills Company Limited, Lower Parel, are reported to have been duped by an unknown party to the tune of Rs. 8,935, the value of silk cloth supplied to the alleged offender.

The Nagpada Police stated before Mr. James Menezes Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, today, that a certain party approached the Management of the mills for purchase of some cloth. He is stated to have posed as the proprietor of a ready made clothing store at Byculla Bridge.

The management were induced to supply 180 pieces of artificial silk cloth, prior to delivery of which they were given a cheque for Rs. 8,935. On presentation of the cheque at the bank, it was not honoured on the ground that no account under the signatory's name was kept with the bank. Complaint was lodged with the Nagpada Police who are still looking out for the culprit who is reported to be absconding.

In this connection the Police arrested one Chottalal Umedlal Patel who is alleged to have assisted the absconding offender.

The Magistrate ordered Chottalal to be released on bail of Rs. 10,000.

Bombay Not To Repeal Advertisement Tax

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Asked whether in view of the Central Government's directive to Madras that the Advertisement Tax should not be imposed, Bombay would reconsider its position a spokesman of the Bombay Government said that the tax was an item on the provincial list.

He emphasised that it did not come in the category of items on the Central list.

Moreover the Tax was already in force in Bombay so there was no question of any change in Government's policy.

In Madras, however, the Tax had yet to be imposed and it would have to be seen how the Madras Government would react to the Centre's directive.

Communications In Backward Areas

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay has been paying special attention to the development of communications in the backward areas of the Province.

The District Local Boards submit their annual programmes of public works and village approach roads to the Collectors and Commissioners concerned for approval for the purpose of getting grants-in-aid. The Government has directed that in approving such programmes, the Collectors and Commissioners should see that due provision is made in them for the development of communications in backward areas.

SUPPORT FOR HINDU CODE BILL

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association a meeting of the representatives of the various Associations—especially of women's organisation was held in the Shrimati Sunderabai Dhuru Building, Mahila Seva Mandal, Gokhale Road, Dadar at 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, when Mr. N. M. Joshi was in the chair. It was decided to hold a representative conference in Dadar on a convenient date in August next to support the Hindu Code Bill.

Mr. D. G. Dalvi, Mr. K. C. Thakare and Prof G S Gupte and Principal T. A. Kulkarni explained the provisions of the Hindu Code Bill in suitable words to the audience. A representative Executive Committee was formed to make the arrangements of the proposed Conference.

OPENING OF KANTAN MANDAL

Kantan Mandal Opening ceremony will be performed by Shri Kedar Nathaji today at 9 p.m. in Seth A. P. High School Hall.

SUSPECTED DACOITS ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An echo of the sensational raid on the Karachi branch of the Central Bank of India, in the course of which a group of persons are said to have got away with Rs. 5,77,000 was heard in the city today, several months after the dacoity had been committed.

The Bombay C.I.D. stated today that actiug on certain information received by them from Pakistan they had arrested two men, Bhimanand Jiwatram and Mulchand Tajmal Jaswani at Mahim a few days ago. These, it was suspected were involved, along with others, with the bank dacoity and had escaped to India.

The two men, however, through counsel urged that it was a pure case of mistaken identity, that they had nothing to do with the dacoity and that the real culprits must be sought elsewhere.

The police said that intimation had been sent to Pakistan authorities and their reply was awaited about possible extradition proceedings. Meanwhile the two men were enlarged on bail at the Esplanade Court today.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DISPOSALS

AUCTION SALE

AUCTIONEERS: M/s. Gopi Chand & Sons, 148, Tarak Pramanick Road, Calcutta.

DATE & TIME: 29-7-49 at 8-30 A.M.

PLACE OF AUCTION: Branch Gun and Shell Factory, Dum Dum (Old H. & S. Group).

STORES: A large quantity of Misc. Stores comprising: Jute Canvas, Cotton Cordage, Felt Natural Grey, Tape Newer, Cotton and Jute Web, Cotton and Jute Canvas, Web Drab (thick and thin), Stud Brass I.P., Respirator Antigas Haversacks, Brass-Rings, Buckles and Hooks etc., Attachment Q.R., Aeroplane and Telephone Apparatus, Cases Map G. S., Brass Tips (Punched and Unpunched), Tanks Canvas, Stretcher-Hammock & Ambulance, Rings Brass Carrier Water Bottle etc. etc.

The stores may be inspected at site by arrangements with the Officer-in-charge of the Depot or by permits to be obtained from the Information Officer (Disposals), 4, Esplanade East, Calcutta.

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CORPORATE BODY FOR STATE TRANSPORT SERVICES

Draft Bill For Poona Session Of Assembly

RS. 70 LAKHS CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR POONA DIVISION

A statutory Corporation to run the State Transport Services in Bombay will shortly be set up by the Government, Mr. N. G. Pandit, Divisional Control. ler of the Services in Poona told pressmen today.

POONA, June 28. (PTI):

A Draft Bill had been prepared and would be placed before the Legislature at the Poona session, and the Corporation was likely to come into existence in November next, he added.

About 2,000 State transport buses would be running on different routes when the transport services were completely taken over by the Corporation and it was possible to get a total revenue of Rs. 10 crores per year, Mr. Pandit said.

The capital outlay in Poona Division alone would amount to about Rs. 70 lakhs and the revenue to about a crore of rupees every year. The profits would be mainly directed towards the improvement of roads.

FACILITIES TO PILGRIMS

With a view to meeting the convenience of pilgrims going to the Pandharpur Fair in July, the State Transport was running about ninety buses in addition to its regular service. This would facilitate the transport of 1,30,000 passengers during the Fair and remove the congestion on the trains to a certain extent.

The State Transport Services were started in June 1948 with a fleet of 35 buses running on the Poona-Ahmednagar and certain allied routes. In the past one year, these services have been extended to Poona, Sholapur, Ahmedabad, Kaira and Bijapur Divisions with a total fleet of 440 buses on the road. It is proposed to further extend them to Panchmahals, Ahmedabad, Belgaum, Dharwar, Broach and Surat divisions in the current year.

Figures available for Poona division show that while in June 1948, when the State Transport Services came into existence, the total mileage covered by the buses was 1,13,800 and the number of passengers carried 72,000. These figures increased to 7,40,000 and 10,15,000 respectively in May last.

AMENITIES

Detailing the various amenities the State Transport Services proposed to provide for the passengers, Mr. Pandit said, in Poona Division, it had been decided to erect stands and make sanitary and drinking water arrangements and canteens at 50 places. On this account the Government would spend about Rs. 20 lakhs within this year. A Central workshop at Dapuri near Kirkee at a cost of several lakhs was also being constructed.

The Government were taking whatever steps they could for the benefit of the old operators, Mr. Pandit said.

The Government maintained a school to train drivers and conductors on its staff and also run special classes to educate illiterate persons who joined them when the Old Operators' Services were taken over.

MESSAGE RATE FOR TELEPHONES

Merchants' Chamber Calls It A Wrong Step

BOMBAY, June 28 (UPI). The Indian Merchants Chamber of Bombay has, in the course of a memorandum to the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, reiterated that the introduction of the message rate system in Bombay would have a "regressive effect" on the use of the telephone.

The knowledge that every call directly meant an addition to the bill, naturally would restrain the user from making use of the telephone, says the memorandum, and in the present position of pressure on the service, this regression in use may be deemed welcome by the authorities. It will not be out of place to point out that "from the long-term point of view, such a development would be undesirable.

BASIC RENTAL SUGGESTED

The Committee has suggested that the basic rental of Rs. 12 per month should in return cover some free calls, about 60 per month, as "that rate of rental cannot be justified as mere rent for the equipment." The Committee points out that in almost all the important centres in the United States, even under the message rate system, 60 free calls allowed per subscriber per month.

To meet the demands of the public, the Committee further says that there should be increased facilities in the shape of public telephones available for use on payment of the prescribed charges.

LEVYING INCOME TAX IN SAURASHTRA

Businessmen Resent Government Move

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, June 28.—The representatives of various business interests in Saurashtra have resolved to assemble at Rajkot on June 28 to hear the Chief Minister's final verdict on the justice and necessity of levying the income-tax in Saurashtra with retrospective effect from April 1, 1948, concerning which there prevails among the merchants of Saurashtra the widest diversity of opinion.

The leading mill-owners of Saurashtra recently explained their reactions to the new impost to the Chief Minister, the Commerce and Industries Minister, the Chief Secretary and the Income-tax Officer, at Rajkot. They remarked that the power of levying the Income-tax, hitherto unknown in Kathiawar, resided in the Saurashtra Legislative Assembly and that the present care-taker Saurashtra Government has no right to do so.

In any case, retrospective effect from April 1, 1948, ought not, in fairness, to be applied to the incomes earned abroad, while assessing the Income-tax.

ACTION JUSTIFIED

The Chief Minister pointed out how the minimum limit of taxable income in Saurashtra compared favourably with the corresponding limit in the Provinces.

The retrospective effect, the Chief Minister explained, had to be given to the levy of the Income-tax, lest the Saurashtra Government might stand to lose anything between Rs. 8,00,000 and Rs. 9,00,000 due to them from the Central Government every year, in accordance with the financial agreement reached between the two Governments. All reasonable allowances, the Chief Minister added, would be made in assessing the income-tax on the earnings made abroad and no needless harassments would be caused to the merchants in the assessment and collection of the income-tax.

Subsequently, the Action Committee of the Saurashtra business magnates interviewed the Chief Minister in the presence of the Communications and Commerce and Industries Ministers and summed up the merchants' reactions in seven specific demands. They were referred by the Commerce and Industries Minister, at Manavadar, to the convalescing Finance Minister, presently to be interviewed by the leading Junagadh State merchants.

OPPOSITION

Meanwhile, opposition to the retrospective effect, sought to be given by the care-taker Saurashtra Government to the Income-tax has been gathering momentum in Junagadh State, which was a separate unit independent of the Saurashtra Government on April 1, 1948, and which was incorporated into the United State of Saurashtra early this year. This fact will be stressed by the deputation of the Junagadh State merchants at Manavadar on June 27.

Notorious Kundla Dacoit Captured

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, June 28: Amreli Police have captured a notorious dacoit-leader named Nag Ravat, with his three comrades at Virpur, a village near Khambha.

Nag Ravat had of late betaken himself to nose-slitting as a savage pastime in the Kundla Taluka villages, after murdering on the Chalala railway station a Kathi youth who had borne witness against him in the City Magistrate's Court at Kundla.

HUBLI, June 27 (PTI)—A call to Indian Christians to play their full part in the building up of the nation was made by Mr. D. S. Suryavamsi (MLA) a Congress worker of Poona, addressing a public meeting here yesterday.

Mr. Suryavamsi, who is an Indian Christian said there could be peace and plenty in the country only when all the citizens co-operated with the Government.

FOOD DRIVE IN PROVINCES

Commissioner-General For Supervision Likely

(From our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, June 28.

A Commissioner-General for Food with Ministerial rank is likely to be appointed shortly. His main task will be to ginger up the provincial governments to make India self-supporting in food by 1951. For this purpose, he will constantly visit provincial governments, scrutinize their plans. Further he will examine the progress of their plans in this direction. On the other side, he will report to the Cabinet as to how the provincial governments are functioning in regard to food production.

Acharya Kripalani's name is being mentioned in this connection. Alternately, Mr. Gautam may be appointed, with this difference that he will not have the rank of a Cabinet Minister.

MANUFACTURE OF TOYS AND CROCKERY

Mysore Government's Scheme

BANGALORE, June 27 (PTI)—Manufacture of toys and light crockery on cottage industry basis, modelled on the Japanese system, has been undertaken by the porcelain factory of the Goverment of Mysore.

Initially a group of 40 women have been chosen in Bagalore city. The factory supplies equipment and materials to these selected women at their doors and collects the tructions are also imparted.

Payment is made for the work at one rupee for hundred pieces and it is estimated each worker woman can earn a rupee a day working at leisure hours.

If found successful, it is the intention of Government to enlarge the scheme and sphere. The whole experiment is under the guidance of an expert who has taken training in Japan.

The Maharaja of Mysore today inspected the arrangement and visited the house of one of those engaged in the work. He visualised a great future for this sort of employment.

INDIA'S ENVOY IN FRANCE

Sardar H. S. Malik Appointed

NEW DELHI, June 28 (PTI): Sardar Hardit Singh Malik, at present High Commissioner for India in Canada, has been appointed India's Ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to the Republic of France, it was officially announced today.

Sardar H. S. Malik, aged 54 received his education at Eastbourne College and later at Balliol College, Oxford. He entered the Indian Civil Service in 1922. On his return to India, he was posted to the Punjab Provincial Government.

From January 1931 to May 1934 he was Deputy Trade Commissioner in London and for a period acted as Trade Commissioner. In June 1934 he became Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Commerce Department, and later Joint Secretary. In July 1938 he was appointed Trade Commissioner for India in New York. In April 1944, he became Prime Minister of Patiala State.

In July 1947 he was appointed High Commissioner for India in Canada.

RESULT OF F. C. P. S. EXAMINATION

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The following candidates have been declared to have passed the Fellowship Examination (F.C.P.S.) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Bombay held in June 1949:—

New Regulations

OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGY

4. Desai, Winay Atmaram.
5. Shah, Kanti Ujamshi.

Old Regulations

MEDICINE

6. Bhatt, Pravinchandra Ramprasad,
7. Damany, Shashikant Jethalal.
12. Master, Thakordas Bhagwandas.

SURGERY

19. Desai, Naresh Gandabhai.
27. Patel, Maganbhai Shankerbhai.
28. Shroff, Pannalal Dwarkadas.

MIDWIFERY & GYNAECOLOGY

32. Deshpande, Meena Madhav. (Mrs.)
35. Kalewar, Vatsala Sambhaji (Miss).
43. Rane, Vijaykant Atmaram.
45. Trivedi, Umakant Shamshanker
46. Wagh, Keshav Venkatrao.

Col. C. K. Bose, Deputy Commander, School of Military Engineering, snapped on arrival in Bombay, after a tour of training centres in U. K.

DANGS COMMITTEE COMPLETES WORK

SURAT, June 27 (PTI): The Dangs Committee, set up by the Gujerat Sahitya Sabha to collect facts to prove that "Dang belongs to Gujerat culturally and linguistitically", has just completed a weeks tour of the Dang area.

The members of the Committee are Pandit Omkarnath Thakur, the well-known musician, Mr. Niru Desai and Mr. Madhusudan Modi. Addressing a meeting here last night, they said that Gujerat should unite to demand a revision of the Bombay Governments decision regarding the Dangs.

Mr. Niru Desai said that Maharasntrian literature could be quoted to show that Dangs formed part of Gujerat. The Bombay Government decision about the Dang area was a hasty one, he added.

3 Months' R. I. For Illegal Possession Of Transmitter

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Munnalal Indurchand Sanjit, who was arrested along with two others, on a charge of operating a wireless transmitter to broadcast commercial news from Nisha Chambers, Cadell Road, Mahim, in May last, was convicted and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment by Mr. Osa Brown, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at Esplanade Court today.

The accused pleaded guilty and said that he knew the theory and practice of electricity and also the technique of setting up and operating a wireless transmitter.

The two others were given the benefit of doubt by the Magistrate and acquitted.

A scheme to train 30 students of agricultural community, preferably those with diesel irrigation pumps, is being undertaken by the Saurashtra Government from August 1.

JEWELLERY STOLEN FROM MILLIONAIRE'S HOUSE

God's Disappear From Silver Pedestals During Night

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Five 'Gods' who vanished from the family mansion of a city millionaire a couple of days ago, have set a problem to police of Greater Bombay.

The missing Gods are listed as Lakshmi, Radha, Nirnajan, Suryanarayan and Shankar. The tiny idols were made of gold and mounted on silver pedestals. They were placed in the sanctum sanctorum of the mansion, the prayer room of the palatial residence of Sir Mathurdas Vassanji at Gundowli Road, Andheri. They were there on Sunday night, but early next morning they were gone.

Along with the Gods was also gone a gold cigarette case, bearing the name and inscription of the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, the Rajapramukh of Saurashtra. Also missing were six gold buttons, and a few currency notes.

The second category of missing articles, gave the clue to the motive and the manner of disappearance of the Gods. It was neither a devotee nor an iconoclast who had carried them away. It was just a gold-lover, who wanted the precious metal of which the Gods were made.

The five idols had between them 60 tolas of gold and ten tolas of silver—a considerable booty for any cat burglar.

The total value of the missing goods is Rs. 10,000.

So far the police have made the usual arrests in such cases—a servant and a watchman. The Central Intelligence Department of the Greater Bombay have alerted all stations and officers to look out for the missing Gods. Dealers in gold and icons have also been warned to keep a lookout.

Inspector Bagwe of the Andheri Police is in charge of investigations into this case.

GOODS IMPORTED FROM PAKISTAN

Exemption Of Duty Period Extended

NEW DELHI, June 28 (PTI): The Government of India have decided to extend till September 30, 1949, the period of exemption of duty on the foreign goods imported into India from Pakistan on which import duty has been paid in Pakistan before March 1, 1949, says a press note issued by the Ministry of Commerce today.

This concession was initially granted to cover goods shipped or despatched from Pakistan upto September 30, 1948. As a measure of relief to importers who could not obtain despatch of their goods from Pakistan by that date, the period was subsequently extended upto June 30, 1949.

It has been represented to the Government of India, adds the press note, that there are still some consignments in this category which await export to India. The Government of India has accordingly decided to extend further, as a special case, the period of concession so as to cover goods shipped or despatched from Pakistan upto September 30, 1949, subject to the existing terms and conditions governing the exemption.

MILITARY TRAINING FOR YOUNG MEN BELOW 20

City Home Guard's Junior Section To Be Inaugurated On July 15

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

BOMBAY'S Home Guards will soon have a junior wing for imparting training to youngmen below 20, disclosed Captain M. J. B. Maneckjee, the Commandant-General of the Home Guards, in an interview to the United Press of India last evening.

"I had all along been toying with the idea of a scheme under which we could train our boys and make them disciplined and service-conscious," he said and added: "If we could impart proper training to our younger generation at an impressionable age, and thus show them the way to render constructive service to our country at times of emergency it would be good for our country's future. But so far our boys had no opportunities or facilities of receiving such training, which will be offered to them through this scheme."

Boys above 10 and below 20 will be admitted to the proposed junior wing and will be imparted initial training in foot drill, rifle training, and map and compass reading at the various Home Guard training centres, he stated. After completion of this initial training, they will be selected for army, naval and aviation training of an initial nature, according to the inclination of the individual trainees.

TRAINING COURSE.

In the army training, they will be imparted training in morse and lamp signalling and radio communication, while in the aviation course, training will be imparted in elementary navigation—theory flight, practical work on the aeroplane—and other basic ideas pertaining to aviation, and in the naval course, they will receive training in fundamental navy work.

The training will be imparted with the co-operation of the authorities of the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Captain Maneckjee said that as an experiment a junior section of the Home Guards will be inaugurated in greater Bombay on July 15, and the scheme will be extended to the rest of the province, after reviewing the results of the Bombay experiment.

GRASP CHANCES OF FREEDOM

Hansa Mehta's Call To Women

LONDON, June 28 (PTI): Mrs. Hansa Mehta, Indian Representative on the United Nations Human Rights Commission, who flies back to India on Thursday, said in London today that the moment had come for the women of India to grasp their new chances of freedom.

They were no longer barred from any of the professions, she told the Press Trust of India, and they were free to utilise their talents in the service of their country in any way they wished.

Hundreds of thousands of teachers were wanted. They had great difficulty in getting nurses. Women did not like going in for that profession because the conditions could be improved.

They have been fighting all these years for freedom, and got it. Now they must devote all their energy on reconstruction and the field of education.

The only thing they were still fighting for was for the removal of women's social disabilities. Once the Hindu Code Bill had been passed, however, women would be on an equal footing with men, with equal rights in marriage and equal rights as to property.

ASSEMBLING OF RADIOS IN MYSORE

Production To Be Out By October

BANGALORE, June 27 (PTI): The radio and electricals manufacturing company, sponsored by the Government of Mysore, hopes to put in the market by October this year radios completely assembled in its factory.

For the present, they will confine themselves to the Assembly of radios from imported parts and in another five years will manufacture all component parts except valves. The company has executed an agreement with the International General Electrical Company of America for the necessary assistance and technical knowledge.

Production of 1,00,000 radios per annum is the ultimate capacity of the factory which will more than meet India's present annual demand of 65,000. In the first year about 15,000 radios will be assembled.

Due to dollar exchange restrictions the work could not be speeded up and the government of Mysore have taken up this matter with the Government of India.

Two foreign experts are now employed in the factory. Six Indian engineers sent abroad for special training by the company have now returned and are on the job.

French Honour To Sir C. V. Raman

PARIS, June 27 (PTI-Reuter)—Sir C. V. Raman, Director of the Raman Research Institute in Bangalore, and Nobel laureate in physics, was elected Associate Member of the French Academy of Science here today.

E. PUNJAB TO LIFT CLOTH CONTROL

AMBALA, June 27 (PTI)—The control on distribution of coarse and medium qualities of cloth will be lifted by the East Punjab Government from July 10, it is officially learnt.

Pak Government Talks With U. N. Commission

KARACHI, June 27 (PTI-Reuter):—Formal discussions between the representatives of the Pakistan Government and the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan Mission in Karachi will commence here tomorrow, it was learned here today.

Sir M. Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan Foreign Minister, and Mr. Mushtaq Ahmed Gurmani, Minister for Kashmir Affairs, will represent Pakistan.

At the request of the mission who expressed a desire to "cover all the ground in informal discussions" before the formal talks again begin" "initial exploratory talks" were resumed today.

MOUNTBATIEN'S WAR DESPATCHES

LONDON, June 28 (U. P. I)—Lord Mountbatten's war despatches, covering the period when he was Supreme Allied Commander in South-East Asia, are to be published soon it is learnt.

They were completed 18 months ago, while Mountbatten was still in India. Since then a restricted number of printed copies has been going the rounds of the allied chiefs of staff.

It is further learnt that one or two amendments were suggested by the Americans.

Part of the despatches were written while the war was still going on, and form a kind of running commentary on events.

Berlin Rail Strike Ends

BERLIN, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Berlin's 39-day-old railway strike ended without incident this morning.

Electric current was switched on and clocks outside the 40 elevated stations in the British, French and American sectors of the City which had been stopped since one minute past midnight on May 21 began working again.

To give correct news to the press about the activities of the police, the Assam Government will shortly appoint press liaison officers in all district headquarter towns.

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Tenders should be submitted in prescribed forms which can be had from Director General of Disposals, New Delhi and Regional Commissioners (Disposals), Calcutta, Kanpur, Bombay and Madras at Rs. 5/- per set in cash or money order. Tender forms contain full particulars of stores, instructions to tenderers, tender opening date, conditions of sale and inspection permit.

Tenders should be addressed to Director General of Disposals, Textiles and Leather Directorate, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi and should reach him by 4 p.m. on Monday, the 25th July 1949.

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(2) 98,000 yards Canvas Cotton Light Khaki Waterproof Common 36" wide, located at Central Provision Depot, Dehu. Reserve price Rs. 2/2/- per yard Bids for a minimum of 50,000 yards.

(3) 27,702 yards Canvas Cotton S. S. No. 207 Waterproof Common 36" wide, located at Messrs. General Motors, Bombay. Reserve price Rs. 2/- per yard. Bids for the whole quantity.

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(5) 2,27,228 yards Canvas Cotton Light S. S. No. 207 Waterproof Common 30" wide, located at Gun & Shell Factory, Dum Dum, Calcutta. Reserve price Rs. 1/12/- per yard. Bids for a minimum of 50,000 yards.

(6) 36,283 yards Canvas Cotton Light Khaki Waterproof Special 39" wide, located at Gun & Shell Factory, Dum Dum, Calcutta. Reserve price Rs. 2/2/- per yard. Bids for the whole quantity.

(7) 3,10,640 yards Canvas Union Cotton Jute Waterproof of 26" wide, located at General Stores Inspection Depot, Hastings, Calcutta. Reserve price As. -/12/- per yard. Bids for a minimum of 50,000 yards.

(8) 54,800 yards Canvas Union Cotton Jute Waterproof 30" wide, located at General Stores Inspection Depot, Hastings, Calcutta. Reserve price As. -/14/- per yard. Bids for the whole quantity.

(9) 91,000 yards Canvas Union Cotton Jute Waterproof 36" wide, located at General Stores Inspection Depot, Hastings, Calcutta Reserve price Re. 1/-/- per yard. Bids for a minimum of 50,000 yards.

(10) 11,273 pairs Boots Walking Out Black, sizes varying from 6/6 to 11/6, located at R.I.N. Depot, Vikhroli, Bombay. Reserve price Rs. 7/-/- per pair. Bids for a minimum of 5,000 pairs.

(11) 1,765 yards Serge Saddlers 40" wide, located at Harness and Saddlery Factory, Kanpur. Reserve price Rs. 2/8/- per yard. Bids for the whole quantity.

(12) 7,309 pairs Trousers Mazri Hospital, located at Central Ordnance Depot, Kanpur. Reserve price Rs. 1/8/- per pair. Bids for the whole quantity.

(13) 1,080 cwt. & 40 lbs. Cordage Coir Hawserlaid 4" located at C.O.D. Kanpur. Reserve price Rs. 30/- per cwt. Bids for the whole quantity.

(14) to (29):

93,000 gross in different sizes and weights of Brass and Brass Bronzed Buckles, Slides, Hooks, Rings, Studs etc., located at Gun and Shell Factory, Dum Dum, Calcutta. The reserve prices vary from As. -/6/6 to Rs. 28/- per gross according to sizes and weight of the material. Bids are invited for each lot. Full particulars of the store can be seen in tender form.

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SECOND TEST MATCH ENDS IN DRAW

New Zealand Records Highest Score

DONNELLY'S BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE: HUTTON-ROBERTSON PARTNERSHIP

LONDON, June 28 (P.T.I.-Reuter).

THE three days second test match between England and New Zealand ended tamely in a draw at Lords today, thus resulting in similar manner to the first test at Leeds.

The final scores were: England 313 for nine declared and 306 for five. New Zealand 484.

CREDIT FOR NEW ZEALAND

Every credit must be given to New Zealand for gaining a first innings lead of 171 and also recording their highest score in test cricket, but any hopes they may have held of gaining their first test victory over England were dispelled soon after lunch when Hutton and Robertson opened England's second innings with a century partnership. The New Zealand score passed the previous best of 469 for nine declared against England at Lords in 1931.

DONNELLY'S DOUBLE CENTURY

A moderate England attack never looked like pinning the New Zealand batsmen down and the left-hander, Martin Donnelly, dominated the morning play by completing a double century. His 206 was the highest individual innings in any test for his country and also the highest for either side in England. He also became the first New Zealander to reach a thousand runs on the tour.

Playing superlative cricket Donnelly looked as if he could have stayed for ever if he had wished. He batted for 295 minutes and hit 26 fours before he practically threw away his wicket.

Five hours' play remained when England went in to bat a second time and Len Hutton and Jack Robertson put the side in a safe position by scoring 143 for the first wicket.

HUTTON'S SEASONS SCORE

Hutton scored 66 to pass the highest aggregate on record for the month of June which was 1,193 by Herbert Sutcliffe also of Yorkshire, in 1932. Hutton accomplished this when 46 today and now requires 68 runs to pass Walter Hammond's total of 1,281—the highest aggregate for any month in first class cricket.

A fine century by Bobertson has set the England selectors a problem. Robertson came into the side only because of an injury to Cyril Washbrook, who can hardly be left out when fit. It is possible that the problem may be solved by playing Robertson at number five. He hit one six and 11 fours in a stay of 220 minutes.

A lot of interest went out of the game when it became evident that it would end in a draw, but proceedings livened up when England lost three wickets in the space of ten runs. Robertson, Edrich and Compton fell, but Watkins remained to score 49 and play out time with Bailey as partner.

Today's attendance was estimated as 20,000 of whom 17,781 paid at the turnstiles. The full attendance for the three days was estimated 81,500.

The Lords Ground was again well packed for the final day's play in the second test between England and New Zealand despite the fact that a draw seemed inevitable.

Heat-wave weather continued, and the rock-hard pitch, which was beginning to show signs of being affected by the intense sun, was expected to help spin bowlers.

New Zealand were 51 runs ahead with three wickets in hand when play was resumed.

DONNELLY'S PERFORMANCE

Donnelly resumed in aggressive mood and helped by a coupe of boundaries he became the highest scorer for New Zealand in test matches. The previous best was 136 by C. S. Dempster at Wellington, during the M.C.C. tour of 1929 and 30.

Donnelly's next scoring stroke, a glorious straight drive for four off Hollies, enabled him to beat Walter Hammond's 140 against New Zealand at Lords in 1937—the highest score in England in the series between the two counrties.

New Zealand collected 30 runs in the first 10 minutes. Four hundred went up in seven hours, and Donnelly completed 150 in four hours 50 minutes.

Donnelly was at his brilliant best, fours followed from his bat in rapid succession, his perfect timing sending the ball flashing past helpless fieldsmen.

Burtt, trying to emulate his partner, skied a catch to Edrich at first slip at 436. The eighth wicket stand had put on 85 in 65 minutes, 64 of them in 45 minutes today.

Cave, after making six out of 28 runs added for the ninth wicket, gave an easy return catch to left arm slow bowler Young.

Cowie, last man in, remained with Donnelly while New Zealand past their previous highest in test cricket. That was 469 for 9 against England at Lords in 1931.

FAULTLESS 200

Donnelly completed a faultless 200, hit another four, was dropped at Longon and lifted a catch to midoff, all in the same over. When Hutton caught him the innings closed for 484, giving New Zealand a lead of 171 with just under five hours left for play. Donnelly's innings lasted five hours 55 minutes and contained 26 fours.

With Hutton in pleasing form and Robertson looking for runs, England scored 30 in half an hour. They experienced little difficulty and carried their total to 40 without loss in 50 minutes before lunch.

Four hours remained for play, and England needed another 131 to save an innings defeat.

New Zealand began with an all spin attack of Burtt, left-arm slow, and Rabone, bowling offbreaks round the wicket.

Hutton twice offdrove Rabone and then made a sweep to leg to hoist 50 in an hour.

Wallace, trying to make a catch at forward short leg, hurt his right hand and retired, Reid taking his place.

HUTTON'S BREAKS RECORD

Hutton reached 50 out of 90 in 105 minutes. When 46 he had passed the highest aggregate on record for the month of June which was 1193 by Herbert Sutcliffe his fellow Yorkshireman in 1932. Next landmark for Hutton to aim at was Walter Hammond's total of 1281 in August 1936, the biggest number of runs obtained in any month of first class cricket. To beat that Hutton needed 134 in this innings. The first wicket stand reached a hundred in 110 minutes.

After passing 50 in just under two hours Robertson began to open his shoulders. He survived appeals at the wicket first for a catch then for a stumping off Sutcliffe whom he lifted for six in the next over. Wallace then returned to the field with a finger bandaged. When Hutton lifted Rabone into the deep where Cava held the catch, England required 28 to clear off arrears. Edrich joined Robertson and the pair pushed the score along to within three runs of the New Zealand total when tea was taken.

After tea Robertson was kept waiting 20 minutes to score the ten runs needed to complete his hundred but Edrich, who was responsible for 31 of the 73 added to the second wicket hit straight into Midoffs hands. Compton went ten runs later and without addition Robertson was caught by Cave off Rabone after scoring 121 in three hours 50 minutes including one six and eleven fours.

ENGLAND (First Innings) for 9 wicket declared 313

NEW ZEALAND (First Innings

B. Sutcliffe c Compton b Gladwin	57
V. J. Scott c Edrich b Compton	42
W. A. Hadlee c Robertson b Hollies	43
W. M. Wallace c Evans b Hollies	2
M. P. Donnelly c Hutton b Young	206
F. B. Smith b Hollies	33
G. O. Rabone b Hollies	25
F. L. H. Mooney c Watkins b Young	33
T. B. Burtt c Edrich b Hollies	23
H. B. Cave c and b Young	6
J. Cowie (not out)	1
Extras	23
Total	484

Fall of wickets: 89-1, 124-2, 137-3, 160-4, 197-5, 273-6 351-7, 438-8 464-9.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bailey	33	3	136	0
Gladwin	23	5	67	1
Edrich	4	0	16	0
Hollies	58	18	133	5
Young	26.4	1	65	3
Compton	7	0	33	1
Watkins	3	1	11	0

Bye 16, Legbye 3, Wides 3 (Bailey 2, Gladwin 1) Noballs 1 Hollies).

ENGLAND (Second Innings)

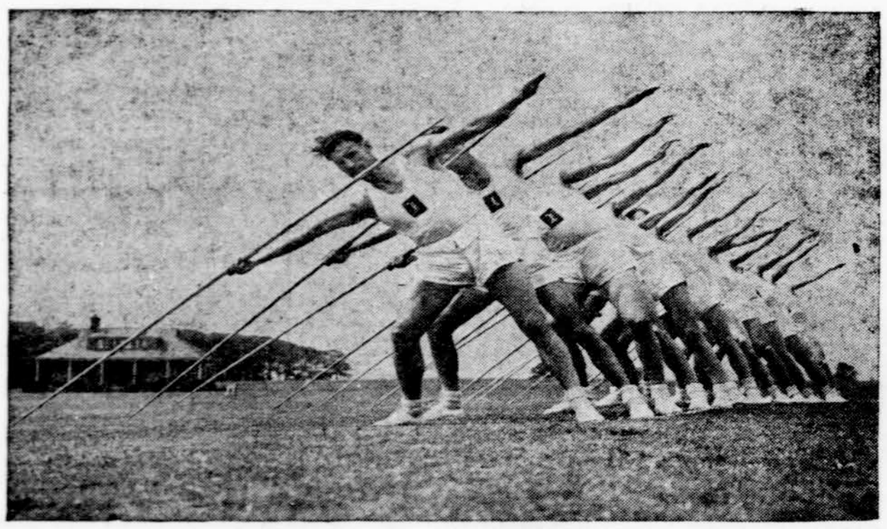
Hutton c Cave b Rabone	66
Robertson c Cave b Rabone	121
Edrich c Hadlee b Burtt	31
Compton b Burtt	6
Mann c Donnelly b Rabone	17
Waltkins not out	49
Bailey not out	6
Extras (Byes 9, Legbyes one)	10
Total (at close for 5 wkts.	306

FALL OF WICKETS: 143, 216, 226 252.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

	O.	M.	R	W.
Cowie	14	3	39	0
Cave	7	1	23	0
Rabone	28	6	116	3
Burtt	37	12	58	2
Sutcliffe	16	1	55	0
Wallace	1	0	5	0

THE SECOND LINGIAD



On July 27th, 1949, the opening ceremony of the second Lingiad will take place in the great stadium in Stockholm. At the first Lingiad in 1939, 37 nations were represented. For the 1949 celebrations, 54 nations have been invited. The Lingiad is held in honour of Pehr Henrik Ling, "the father of scientific gymnastics" and is sometimes called the Olympic Games of the Gymnastics World—but in point of fact, no competitions are held. Each nation gives demonstrations of various types of physical work by elite and mass teams. Thus it is possible to see what progress is being made and what new ideas are afloat amongst physical educationists throughout the world. Teams from all over England have been chosen to take part in this year's Lingiad. Members of the Leeds Carnegie Training College, England, rehearsing one of the exercises they will give.

PENALTY GOAL ENABLES OILMEN TO WIN

Hinrich's Shield Encounter Proves Disappointing

BOMBAY, Tuesday:

Bombay Soccer fans were treated to one of the dullest encounters seen this season at the popular venue. Although, both First Division teams were concerned neither Burmah Shell nor Rashid's XI were able to do justice to the ideal conditions that prevailed for football, but they seemed to play like novices with very little knowledge of the game. Burmah Shell finally prevailed by a solitary goal scored off a penalty kick.

Aricknathan, last year's Star goalkeeper was back again under the bar for Rashid's but he had very little to do. Even the penalty went against him and that was a very well placed shot which gave him not a semblance of a chance to save.

A penalty kick in the closing stages of the opening half enabled Burmah Shell to open the scoring and Shell thus gained the lead. Santiago was badly fouled by full back Panna in the danger zone when Referee Francis rightly awarded a penalty and the Oilmen went ahead to the interval stage.

Rashid's XI pressed for the equalizer on resumption and the Oilmen's goal had two very close and narrow escapes, but the one that baffled everyone was when Lidlie headed into an untenanted goal, but Francis covered on the goalline and the ball went over the cross-bar.

Shell, too, were not to be stopped at this stage for they were out to get another goal and Santiago tried a first times that whizzed past the other end just wide of the post. A second opportunity presented by Rego to Santiago was well taken care of by Aricknathan who saved on the ground.

A well directed long shot from way up the centre of the field nearly produced results for Rashid's. Ash who took the kick made it a dangerous one. Eagle, the Oilmen's goalie watched the ball descend and then pushed it over the cross bar before Ledlie got his head to the ball and this enabled the Burmah Shell to run out winners.

The teams:— BURMAH SHELL:— Eagle; H. Francis, Angelo; A. Francis, Pinto, Noronha; Santiago, Rego, Murthy, Monkam, Peter.

RASHID'S XI:— Aricknathan; Panna, Hussain; Raphael, P. Ash, Narayan, Frank, Dass, Parsaram, Shanker, Ledlie.

Referee:— A. J. Francis.

BYCULLA Y. M. C. A. TABLE TENNIS

BOMBAY, Tuesday:

The Byculla Y.M.C.A. Open Table Tennis Tournament which ushers in the popular indoor game season in the City is scheduled to commence on Saturday, 2nd July.

In addition to the usual five events, there is also the Juniors Singles event.

The entries close to-morrow (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m.

BADMINTON TOURNAMENT ON AMERICAN LINES FOR BOMBAY

P. J. Hindu Gym's New Venture

(By Our Special Correspondent)

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A new chapter will be added to the history of Badminton in the Province, when for the first time, under the auspices of the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana, the age-old Presidency Badminton Tournament will be run on the American lines, there being only one event, the Men's Doubles, the entire event being finished in sessions of two days, on Saturday and Sunday, July 16 and 17.

After his tour of the United States, Mr. L. R. Agaskar, the Manager of the Indian Thomas Cup Team, is trying out this new experiment that will not only test the stamina of the various competitors but also bring out the best in them in the very first round. One factor, however, in favour of the participants will be that the strain that usually lasts for more than a week will only be of two days' duration.

Besides being a reviver for the present Badminton season, this tournament will also give a chance to the up-country players to spend a week-end in Bombay and participate in the event.

Only the Men's Doubles is experimented with at the moment and if the tournament proves successful other events on the same lines may be played at a later date with the permission of the local Council.

The added attraction in this tournament, the first of its kind in India, will be that besides the winner and runner-up receiving a prize, an additional prize for the third best pair will be decided by a match of best of three games between the losing semi-finalists

Leading combinations are expected to vie for supremacy in this championship, prominent among them being Bhopardikar and Patil, who have teamed again this year, the Suburban stalwarts, Ferreira and Homi Talyarekhan, who are playing together this season, Bala Ullal and Dutta Mugwe, Merchant and Kalyanpur, the giant killers of last year, and the new combination of George Lewis and Motiram Desai.

The last day of entries is July 11 and the draw will take place the next day.

The dates for the other Badminton tournaments during the current season are as follows:

Suburban Championships: July 23 to August 7 (Bandra Gymkhana).

C.C.I. Championships: August 13 to 28 (C.C.I. Courts).

Western Indian Championships: September 3 to 16 (Bombay GYM).

U. S. PLAYER'S REMARKABLE GAME AT WIMBLEDON

Mrs. Jean Walker-Smith For Semi-Finals: Upset In Men's Double

WIMBLEDON, June 28. (PTI-Reuter).

RECOVERING from a first set reverse, Mrs. Patricia Todd, seeded American player, beat Mrs. Jean Walker—Smith, Britain, 3—6, 6—4, 6—3 to reach the semi-final of the womens' singles to-day in the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships.

She was joined by another American, Mrs. Helen Rihbany, ranked tenth in the United States, who beat Mrs. Peggy Dawson-Scott, the Middlesex County Lefthander, 7—5, 7—5.

Mrs. Walker-Smith, a tenacious battler, played some remarkable tennis to take the first set, Mrs. Todd's more polished play was of no avail against the tigerish determination of an opponent who kept her running to and fro.

After hanging on for four-all in the second set, Mrs. Walker-Smith tired, and Mrs. Todd took command to win her hardest match in England this year.

MEN'S TITLES.

Mrs. Rihbany's more aggressive and accurate game carried her through a match which lasted an hour and 20 minutes.

The remainder of the programme was confined to doubles matches, and the biggest upset in these was the defeat of the holders of the men's title, the Australians John Bromwich and Frank Sedgman, by the unseeded pair Budge Patty of the United States and Eric Sturgess of South Africa in a stern five set quarterfinal battle.

Fourth round B. Patty (United States) and E. Sturgess (South Africa) beat J. Bromwich and F. Sedgman (Australia) Holders 6-8, 6-3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

Bromwich and Sedgman revealed their fighting qualities by rallying to take the first set after trailing 1-5 but after this set there was very little between the two pairs. Patty and Sturgess showed great power overhead and they generally appeared to be just a little better than their opponents. They clinched the match in definite fashion by taking the final game to love.

Another seeded pair went out when Jaroslav Drobny of Czechoslovakia and Bob Falkenburg of the United States fell in another five-set quarter final to the Australian pair Geoff Brown and Bill Sidwell. It was a match of fluctuating fortunes.

Brown and Sidwell won the third set on the twelfth game on Falkenburg's service. After deuce had been called five times, Falkenburg threw away the game and the set by serving two double faults. The Australian pair had four match points on Falkenburg's service in the twelfth game of the fourth set but lost them and the match went into the fifth set. In this Brobny and Falkenburg were five-all and 40-15 on Sidwell's service and were six-all and 40 love on Brown's service. But the Australians rallied and won after missing one match point.

In the semi-finals Patty and Sturgess meet Richard Gonzales and Frank Parker of the United States and Brown and Sidwell meet Gardnar Mulloy and Ted Schroeder of the United States.

Gonzales and Parker beat the Italian Davis Cup players Gianni Cucelli and Marcello Del Bello in straight sets and Mulloy and Schroeder beat Tony Mottram and Geoffrey Paish of Britain in a match of four sets.

Fourth Round

G. Brown and O. Sidwell (Australia) beat J. Drobny (Czechoslovakia) and A. Falkenburg (United States) seeded: 6-3, 3-6, 7-5, 6-8, 8-6

LONG QUEUES AT WIMBLEDON

Keen Interest In Men's Doubles

WIMBLEDON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Queues began to form nine hours before play was due to begin in the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships today, but they were not so long as yesterday.

Two matches in the quarter-final round of the Women's singles were being played, but the chief interest in today's games was in the Men's doubles.

WIMBLEDON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): (FOURTH ROUND): R. Gonzales and F Parker (United States) beat G. Cucelli and M. Del Bello (Italy), 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

FOURTH ROUND: G. Mulloy and F. Schroeder (United States) beat Motiram and G. Paish (Britain) 6-2, 2-6, 6-3, 10-8.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES
THIRD ROUND:

WIMBLEDON: June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Mrs. N. Blair and Miss J. Quertier (Britain) beat Mrs. N. Edamson and Mrs. C. Boegner (France) 6|0, 7|9, 6|2.

FOURTH ROUND

Miss L. Brough and Mrs. W. Dupont (United States) beat Mrs. S. Summers and Mrs. Watermeyer (South Africa) 6|1, 6|2.

FIFTH ROUND

Mrs. P. Todd (United States) beat Mrs. J. Walker-Smith (Britain) 3|6, 6|4, 6|3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES
FIFTH ROUND

Mrs. H. Rihbany (United States) beat Mrs. E. Dawson-Scotto (Britain) 7|5, 7|5.

CALCUTTA SENIOR DIVISION MATCHES

E. Bengal's Record Goal Scoring

CALCUTTA, June 28. (PTI): Hundreds of East Bengal supporters returned home happy to-day seeing their favourite team establish a record in the Senior Division League by scoring ten goals against their opponents, Calcutta Garrison—a feat which has not been achieved by any other team in recent football history. In their first match with the Garrison team, East Bengal had won by one goal to nil.

The Aryans again proved to be the stumbling block for Mohan Bagan, who were forced to share the points to-day. After a gruelling fight, the Aryans got the better of their opponents and scored in the first half. In the second half a lucky shot by Kumar helped Mohan Bagan to draw level.

In their encounter with Bhowanipore, Sporting Union scored a goal in each half and had the better of the exchanges. S. Sen was credited with both the goals. In their first encounter with Sporting Union, Bhowanipore had won by two goals to nil.

AUSTRALIA FACES FOOD CRISIS

Coal Strikers Adamant: Meat Stocks Down To Week's Supply

SYDNEY, June 27 (PTI-Reuter).

WOMEN became hysterical and fainted in a wild rush on food shops today to lay in supplies in anticipation of an acute food shortage as Australia's mid-winter coal strike went through its first day.

There was tonight no indication of either the Government or the 23,000 striking miners capitulating.

The strike tied up vessels in Sydney harbour laden with meat, wheat and other food cargoes for Britain, shipping agents reported.

Reports on the food position said meat reserves were down to one week's supply, sugar refineries were tapering off production and would soon close and milk supplies to adults has been cut by 25 per cent.

GOVERNMENT MEASURES

The New South Wales Cabinet will tomorrow introduce a bill to give the Government wide powers to meet the crisis.

Among other things, the Bill will require to place their services and property at the disposal of the State when needed and will authorise the seizure, control and disposal or use of any property, undertakings, goods, vehicles, or articles of any kind.

The State Cabinet today decided to cut country train services to 15 per cent of normal.

It was estimated that unemployment figures in New South Wales would total 400,000 by tonight.

In Melbourne last night the Victoria State Cabinet decided to restrict gas supplies to homes to one meal period daily as from tomorrow and to instruct the State Electricity Commission to prepare a plan to ban power to industry one day in five.

Heavy cuts in electricity, gas and transport were also announced in Queensland and Tasmania.

STEPS TO DEAL WITH AUSTRALIAN STRIKE

CANBERRA, June 28. (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Herbert Evatt, the Australian Attorney-General, to-day gave notice he would introduce a bill to-morrow to prohibit the use of funds to aid the Dominion's 23,000 striking coalminers.

This move, which followed a Cabinet meeting, was believed to be the first step taken by the Government "Crisis Committee" formed to deal with the Communist-led strike.

After Dr. Evatt had introduced his bill, Opposition Leader Robert Menzies declared in the House: "We are not going to smash this strike—and it must be smashed—unless we are prepared to recognise that the people who organised a strike of this kind are criminals against this country".

BURMA RICE FOR COCHIN AND TRAVANCORE

MADRAS, June 28 (PTI): The steamer "Nurani" carrying 7,107 tons of rice from Burma arrived at the Cochin port on June 25. The consignment will be distributed to Travancore and Cochin.

NO FIGHTING ON HONG KONG BORDER

Colony's Trade with Red China Paralysed

HONG KONG, June 28, (PTI-Reuter): Hong Kong, British commercial centre in the Far East, is today hurriedly preparing to accommodate the thousands of British troops expected to arrive in the next few months. The Government of the Colony has requisitioned about 30 buildings to provide quarters, storerooms and workshops, for the new arrivals and further requisitions are expected.

The fighting which flared up last week only ten miles from the Hong Kong frontier between Chinese Nationalist forces and Communist guerillas has now calmed down, but guerillas are still active in many parts of Kwantung Province.

The Colony's trade with Communist-held China is almmost at a standstill. Merchants are awaiting developments in the Nationalist blockade of Communist-held ports and an announcement of the British Government's attitude.

INDIANS IN RED CHINA SAFE

Communication With Embassy Interrupted

NEW DELHI, June 28, (PTI): The normal diplomatic communication between the Government of India and Indian Ambassador to China has been interrupted, it is learnt. It is however understood that the Indian Nationals in Communist-occupied China as well as the Embassy staff are safe.

So far as the recognition of the Communist China is concerned, it is pointed out, the question will be taken up only when the Communist administration now in occupation of north China declares itself as the lawful Government and invites other nations to open diplomatic relations with it. The initiative, therefore, it is stated lies with China. For the present, diplomatic representatives in Nanking, although not being able to function, continuue to be accredited to the Kuomintang regime.

The Communist administration in north China is said to be sponsoring a conference of various political parties with a view to forming a Government, according to advices received here. It is stated that the future line of action by India in regard to the recognition of the Government of Communist China will depend largely upon the outcome of the conference.

LIBERAL PARTY SWEEPS CANADIAN POLLS

Biggest Majority Turned In Nation's History

OTTAWA, June 28 (PTI-Reuter):

THE Liberal Party of Canada won yesterday's Federal elections with the biggest Parliamentary majority in the country's history.

Final results gave 191 seats of the Liberal Party which stands for a policy of ending wartime restrictions and cutting taxes

The Progressive Conservatives got 42 seats, the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (Labour) 13, the Social Credit Party 10 and Independents 5 the Independent Liberals one.

RIVAL POSITION

The Liberal Party has thus topped by 13, the majority record it achieved under the leadership of the veteran Canadian Liberal Statesman, Mr. Mackenzie King in 1940.

The Progressive Conservative Party which fought its election campaign as the only serious rival party to the Liberals has 25 less seats than in the previous House.

Liberals swept every province out Alberta where they cut the Social Credit majority without breaking it.

Henbly Royal Regatta Opened

HENLEY ON THAMES (Oxfordshire), June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Henley Royal Regatta opened today in brilliant sunshine with 24 preliminary races in the Ladies Plate, Thampes Cup, Visitors Cup and Wyfold Cup, necessitated by the usually large entry. It was the first time the Regatta had been extended to five days.

Lady Margaret, Cambridge, favourites for the Ladies Plate, eliminated Trinity College, Dublin, in the fast time of six minutes 54 seconds, which is only six seconds outside the record. It was unfortunate for Trinity after travelling from Eire to have to meet such a strong crew as as Lady Margaret in an eliminating race.

CALCUTTA LEAGUE MATCHES

CALCUTTA, June 28 (PTI): The three matches played today in the first division of the Calcutta Football League, resulted as follows:— East Bengal ten Calcutta Garrison nil. Mohan Bagan one Aryans one Sporting Union two Bhowanipore nil.

TAX ON RACING IN HYDERABAD

HYDERABAD, June 28 (PTI)- The Government of Hyderabad, it is learned, will shortly impose tax on horse-racing in the State—on the lines now in force in Calcutta.

The taxes, it is understood, will be levied on the turnover of the bookies, totalizator and proceeds of admission tickets.

If the taxes are levied before the ensuing monsoon meeting which begins here on July 9, it is expected to yield an income of between three and four lakhs of rupees.

VILLAGE OFFICIAL SHOT DEAD

Dacoit Outrage Near Amreli

RAJKOT, June 28 (PTI): The police 'patel' (village police official) of Dhari, near Amreli, is reported to have been shot dead by a dacoit, named Vinsa Manjaria.

The dacoit is said to be the leader of a gang which recently created a panick in parts of Gohilwada District by cutting the noses of some persons.

A police force of 400 has been scouring the Gir mountains for the hide-out of the dacoits.

It is reported that the police 'Patel' was responsible for the arrest of the uncle of the dacoit leader, who took revenge by shooting the 'patel'. It seems the daciot had at the time put on the uniform of a police officer.

The Bombay Chronicle

The power to do great things generally arises from the willingness to do small things.

—THOMAS KEMPIS.

RULERS' PROPERTY

Of the many achievements of the States Ministry not the least important is the settlement about the Rulers' private, as distinct from State, properties. It is said that the properties settled as private may well exceed Rs. 100 crores and there are three or four States settlements about which are yet to be arrived at. In the bad old days when the Princes were protected by the Central Government against the people, it was difficult to tell the Princes' private property from what was loosely called State property but to which they could lay special claims if there was any dispute about it. On the eve of the new regime not a few Princes finally claimed and secured for themselves properties that really belonged to the State and made grants of extensive lands to their relatives and subservient friends. The States Ministry has of course refused to recognise such claims or grants. But it was not easy to adopt any strict principles by which all the property claimed by the Rulers could be classified as private or State. The question of houses was comparably easy, for only those which were regularly or periodically used by the ruler or his family could be fairly set down as private. Land also could be classed as private only if it could be proved to have been ancestral property. But it was easy for autocratic rulers to establish claims to houses and lands in no fair sense belonging to them. Far more difficult was the question of miscellaneous items of property purchased with an unfairly large part of the State revenue, claimed as privy purse. However, there has been a settlement which seems to have satisfied both the State Ministry and the Rulers concerned. The report that most of the Rulers have been left with only one-fourth of what they considered as their private property shows that the States Ministry has not neglected the interests of the people. We hope it is made clear that all the property that is set down as private is subject to State legislation.

Britain's Crisis

Whilst the news relating to the Conference of Commonwealth Finance Ministers mentions the drain on gold and dollar reserves as the immediate reason, there are other factors contributing to the crisis which have been recently very much under discussion. The "Economist" in a note on June 11 drew pointed attention to the heavy drain of gold from Britain to Belgium, Switzerland and Germany (Bizone). The "New York Times" reports that in April British exports to the United States of America had dropped to nearly half the level they had held, on a monthly average, throughout 1948 and the first three months of 1949; and that, according to figures released by the British Board of Trade, the May exports had not risen very appreciably. It is feared that, since these discouraging signs disclose themselves after a strenuous effort to expand exports to dollar areas, they might lead to a drastic cutting down of dollar imports with consequent strain in Anglo-American relations. The other alternative, as the "Economist" suggests, is "continuing to borrow". That, of course, involves the persuasion of the Americans who might not unreasonably be reluctant to venture further in this direction. At any rate, the American Senate will shortly be debating the appropriation for European recovery—940 million dollars of it for Britain—and this is hardly the best time to place another strain on American goodwill. It must be with some sense of irony that Americans think back on the long-term plans of the Marshall Aid countries with their ambitions of capturing Latin American markets.

Much is being said about the likely devaluation of sterling. It is a course to which Britain will not lightly resort, however great the pressure from outside—and evidently there is a great deal of pressure, not from America so much as from Western Union countries. Devaluation will send up the cost of raw materials and essential commodities—no one seriously maintains that the United Kingdom imported what was not necessary for survival. Even the conservative "Yorkshire Post" which complains that Britain "is buying too much and selling too little", stops at suggesting a cut in production costs. Cutting down costs, involving as it must greater austerity and more work, will not be an easy task and might precipitate a political crisis. The Conference of Commonwealth Finance Ministers might well be a preliminary feeler to see what the Labour Government means to the Commonwealth countries or, in other words, to judge how far the burden of effort can be spread over the Commonwealth peoples.

Towards Improvements

Addressing journalists at Rajkot on Friday, Bombay's Minister for Labour, Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, is reported to have given the bare outline of an organisation which is contemplated to promote the welfare and generally to improve the social health of the nation. This organisation, he stated, would be absolutely non-political, its membership would be open to Government servants also and its members would be called upon to sign pledges, secret in nature, to defeat the anti-social activities practised, in all walks of life, by Government officials, businessmen and other citizens. Mr. Nanda, seems to have given no indication of the parties by whom the initiative is taken in the matter of its formation. According to him, the organisation will aim at reducing to the minimum all immoralities and impurities by sincere and combined efforts instead of merely indulging in idle and defeatist criticism.

Freedom has imposed upon the Government an enormous responsibility to improve the economic, educational and social conditions of the people and moreover to organise them into a progressive nation. The people have yet to be trained to exercise their rights and privileges intelligently and to assert themselves as responsible citizens. The evils of black-market and pugree could have been checked effectively long ago, and officialdom would have been prompt in responding to public opinion, if the members of the public had the alertness to bring to the notice of the Government, everything experienced or discovered by them as unjust or illegal, and the integrity not to profit by corruption themselves. The people have their own difficulties and also grievances, but since they are not well acquainted with the democratic ways of giving expression to them, not infrequently what they say appears like idle and defeatist criticism. There can be no denying the fact that there is a gap between the people and the Government. Legislatures and Municipal Councils are elected bodies, but they do not keep themselves in constant touch with the voters. The establishment of a close link between the Government and people is necessary in the present circumstances. An organisation approximating to the model referred to by Mr. Nanda may form such a link. It should be a representative citizens' committee and should be strictly non-political in character. It should attend to all matters of public interest which need to be represented to or negotiated with the Government. The question is whether such an organisation can exist at a time when circumstances are inexorably driving us to political parties.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Among the messages read out by Dr. Kedar at the All-India Lawyers' Conference there was, says a Nagpur message, one from Sri Dinkar Desai, Bombay Minister, to the following effect,: "Your application has been forwarded to the Civil Supplies Department".

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Explaining the failure of the Karachi conference and how Pakistan failed to carry out the provisions of the previous agreement, Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar pointed out among other things that no custodian of Evacuee property functioned in Karachi.

Naturally. Otherwise how can Evacuee property-er-attain its predordained destiny?

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Congress leaders of Pondicherry have complained that the public meeting to celebrate "Chandernagore Day" was subjected to organised and pre-arranged violence under the very nose of the police.

These Congress leaders ought to have an objective appreciation of the problem. The referendum has to be won for France somehow, hasn't it?

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It is announced from Lahore that the Governor of West Punjab has ordered a judicial inquiry into "allegations of misconduct" against Khan Iftikhar Hussain Khan of Mamdot, Premier of West Punjab from August 15, 1947, to January 27, 1949.

With Khuhro that would make two upto date.

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According to the Afghan News Agency "Bakletar" mass demonstrations were recently held in several districts north of Kabul against "Pakistan's transgressions and bombardment of Afghan territory."

This must immediately be answered by counter mass demonstrations in tribal areas north of Peshawar. After all what are, the traditionally paid Maliks being paid for?

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Twenty-one senators have addressed a latter to President Truman opposing any recognition of the Communist regime in China and has expressed "great concern" that the administration may be considering such a move.

That cooks the Communists' goose.

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WASHINGTON, June 22: Dr. Kan Chieh-son, personal representative of acting President Lie Tsung Jen, today, laid before President Truman Nationalist China's "secret Plan" for halting the Communists.—U.P.A.

We are secretly amused.

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Washington: M. E. N. Van Kleffens, the Netherlands Ambassador to the United States, said today that the outlook for a final settlement in Indonesia was "extremely good."

The fact that Dr. Van Kleffens says so causes us some anxiety.

American "Town Meeting" To Come To Delhi

NEW YORK, June 27.

THE "Round-the-World Town Meeting"—an air-age device to carry a slice of U. S. life to 12 foreign capitals in 65 days—will open its tour in London on Wednesday.

Making the globe-girdling trip are representatives of 27 U. S. labour, farm, educational, civic and women's organizations, with a combined membership of more than 30 million people. In each country visited, these representatives will meet with members of comparable groups.

From London, the 32 U. S. participants in the tour will fly to Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Rome, Ankara, Tel Aviv, Alexandria, Karachi, New Delhi, Manila and Tokyo. The group is expected in New Delhi in the first week of August.

Sponsors of the project had hoped to go also to Poland, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union, in order to discuss current problems with leaders in those nations. No replies were received, however, to the letters and telegrams requesting permission to visit those countries.

The London debut of the world-girdling town meeting, following the same democratic form that has characterized town meetings in the United States since the early Colonial days, will deal with the subject: "Does the Socialist State Tend to Destroy Individual Initiative?"

In Paris, on July 5, the subject of discussion will be: "How Can the United States and France Help Promote a Stable and Prosperous Europe?" In Berlin, on July 12, the topic will be: "How Will Youth Influence the Future of Germany?"

Similarly pertinent issues will be debated in the other national capitals with leaders in the respective countries participating.

GENERAL THEME

The general theme of the tour is: "Peace with Individual Freedom and Understanding." One purpose of the trip is to extend throughout the world the U. S. tradition of differing ideas and opinions on domestic and international issues.

Each debate will open with the tolling of a "freedom bell", in a modern counterpart of the town crier, who walked the streets of America's earliest settlements, clanging his bell and shouting the latest news of the day as he went along.

The American settlements held regular meetings, open to all citizens, to elect officials and decide issues of public concern. This procedure prevails to-day in more than 1,000 U. S. towns in the six northeastern states known as New England.

The town meeting type of discussion was adapted for radio broadcasting in th e United States 14 years ago by George V. Denny, Jr., who originated the weekly "Town Meeting of the Air" programme. The radio programme has made it possible for the United States as a whole, figuratively speaking, to talk over national and international problems.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Voluntary contributions from listeners to these radio broadcasts are financing the "Round-the-World Town Meeting" tour, with Denny heading the U. S. group. He will serve as moderator of the debates in the foreign capitals.

The discussions which take place on the tour will be recorded and flown back to the United States for rebroadcast to the millions of regular listeners to "Town Meeting of the Air." Translations—either simultaneous or consecutive—will be made for broadcasting in as many of the originating countries as possible.

The discussion procedure will follow the plan of the weekly programme—presentation of the views of four speakers, brief rebuttals of each other's arguments, and then a period of questions from members of the audience, to any of the four participants.—USIS.

Jim Crow At U. S. Swimming Pools

WASHINGTON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Six swimming instructors left their jobs when Negro children tried to use a Washington bathing pool which had until recently been restricted to Whites.

The District of Colombia Recreation Board announced it was withdrawing all its voluntary life guards from swimming pools because of the controversy over opening pools to Negroes.

The Federation of Citizens has asked Mr. Julius Krug, Secretary of the Interior, to rescind his recent order abolishing segregation in pools and public playgrounds, saying that disorders are likely to occur.

Monument To Gandhiji

U. S. Senate Receives Resolution

WASHINGTON, June 27 (PTI-Reuter): The United States Senate received a resolution which would provide for the erection of a monument to the memory of Mahatma Gandhi.

Senator Hubert Humphrey (Democrat, Minnesota) who presented the resolution, told the Senate "this expression of deep love and respect which Americans hold for that great and reverend saint of our day will, I know, release a tremendous flow of goodwill from the people of India to the people of the United States.

"It will establish a firm foundation for mutual goodwill and understanding".

The resolution would grant to the India League of America or any other organisation which may be organised for the purpose, authority to erect the monument in Washington which would be presented to the people of United States.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Troubles In Patiala Union

We published yesterday the full statement issued by Mr. Brish Bhan Gupta, President of the P.E.P.S.U. Congress Committee, Patiala, on the recent happenings in Mahakotla, culminating in the death of Sardar Kuldip Singh, Police Sub-Inspector of Mahakotla and the subsequent wholesale arrests of Congress leaders and others. Mr. Gupta alleges that a girl named Shakuntala was criminally assaulted by the Sub-Inspector and that for that reason some infuriated people beat him to death. He also alleges that a communal twist was later given to the whole episode, that attempts were made to shield the guilty and a number of men who had tried to save the situation were arrested. As the case may now be sub-judice, it is not possible for us at this stage to discuss all the allegations of Mr. Gupta. But the general picture he has drawn of the state of things in the Patiala Union, of the daylight robberies in it and of police excesses demands a searching inquiry not only by the Unions Government but also by the States Ministry. Most sinister is the tendency, which he deplores, of giving a communal complexion to clearly non-Communal troubles in order to sidetract the main issues. Sinister also is the tendency for any section of the people to take the law into their own hands. These features which Mr. Gupta has deplored have been common in the states before. If they still persist in the Patiala Union it is up to the States Ministry and the people of the Union to consider if it will not be better to merge the Union in East Punjab, when it will be easier for the Central Government to intervene, when necessary, in the interests of law and order.

Health Education

The Propaganda Section of Bombay's Health Department has set up, at the Victoria Gardens Museum, a health stall in order to disseminate health knowledge among the citizens. The subject is "child health". The exhibits, which will be changed every fortnight, will cover a variety of subjects. The display of such stalls is one of the methods of educating the people who visit the museum, but health propaganda requires to be carried on a much wider scale. Demonstrations and talks should be organised in slums and other localities inhabited by the people, who need most the knowledge of health and hygiene. Apart from theoretical education in the matters pertaining to health, the people must have the means and facilities to put knowledge to practical use. The Municipality should, therefore, do the utmost it can to ensure better nutrition and conditions of living to the poor among whom the rate of disease and death is high. Theoretical knowledge will not suffice to improve their lot if they are not in a position to live up to it.

Pondicherry Outrage

According to a Pondicherry report Mirza Rashid Ali Baig, Indian Consul-General in Pondicherry, has drawn the attention of M. Jean Georges Chambon, Commissioner of French India, to the incidents that took place there on Sunday evening in celebration of "Chandernagore Day" during which the National Flag of India was pulled down and dishonoured. Those incidents are, as the details show, pretty serious. And they are rendered more serious by reason of the fact that the violence resorted to by anti-Indian rowdies was obviously organised and pre-arranged and that the police did not discharge their duty as they should have done. A formal protest and representation became, in the circumstances, necessary. And we are glad to note that M. Chambon's response was prompt and satisfactory, insofar as he immediately ordered an official judicial inquiry into the matter. The question is whether the inquiry will do full, fair and impartial justice or seek to whitewash the whole affair. This is not the first occasion on which the police and executive authorities in Pondicherry have failed in their duty.

Unworthy Agitation

During the Municipal elections held a few months back they openly adopted an anti-Indian attitude. It is not surprising they should have looked with sympathy on the rowdies who wanted to break up a meeting, which was to celebrate the triumph at Chandernagore of true patriotism and obligations to the motherland. These rowdies must also have been encouraged by a recent entirely unwarranted, uncalled for and provocative statement on behalf of the French Government that except for the inhabitants of Chandernagore, the people of other French possessions in India definitely favoured the status quo and retention of their position as subjects of France. Chandernagore has alarmed the authorities as well as those curious people, who see nothing outrageous nothing derogatory to their self-respect and their honour in repudiating their Indianhood in favour of France. They have already begun to do everything in pursuit of their unworthy and dishonourable objective, which is to ensure the failure, from the Indian point of view, of the forthcoming referendum which makes an impartial inquiry all the more necessary. But which also makes us wonder whether it will be, as promised by M. Chambon, a genuine inquiry.

Relaxed Control

The Bombay Government has suddenly decided to remove all quantitative restrictions on the purchase of coarse and medium cloth by consumers throughout the province with immediate effect. It has also instructed to give effect to this decision without waiting for any further orders from the proper authorities. It is reported too that the control on the distribution of coarse and medium cloth will be lifted by the East Punjab Government with effect from July 10. Probably such control will be lifted in other provinces too. It is not yet clear why precisely control is being relaxed in this way. One can, however, guess that stocks of coarse and medium cloth had accumulated in many parts of the country. If so, the inference is permissible that many persons had failed to purchase their full quota either because the prices were too high or they had to economise on cloth on account of the persisting high cost of living. Such persons, who form a large majority, are not going to be benefited by the permission to buy unlimited quantity of cloth. The question should be considered if it is feasible to reduce appreciably the price of the coarser varieties of cloth.

Why "Coloured"?

At the meeting of the United Nations sub-Commission for Minority Rights at Lake Success, Mr. M. R. Masani rightly objected to the phrase 'coloured groups'. The concept of coloured groups, he said, was improper and implied the existence of colourless groups. The very term 'coloured', when used in the context of races or nations, reminds one of th ecolour car which has not yet become a thing of the past. It is a relic of the absurd distinctions of nations and still conveys an impression of the supercilious contempt showed by some of the white races towards the coloured people. Anything which smacks of racial discrimination is repugnant to the concepts of democracy and to international relations on terms of equality. The term 'coloured' even as a usage should have no place in the records and deliberations of the United Nations' Organisation. Mr Masani has placed, before the sub-Commission for Minority Rights, a view which the democratic nations ought to accept.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Miserable Lot Of Secondary Teachers

The latest Government Press communique about hours of work and the Departmental Circulars regarding the restrictions on tuitions make the lot of Secondary Teachers more miserable. As per this decision on hours of work, a teacher is required to be on school premises for 30 hours exclusive of recess intervals and to teach for 22 hours a week; while so far he was required to be present on the premises for 26 hours and to put in the actual teaching work of about 19 hours. This three hours' teaching work has not only increased the "work-load" of the teachers but will actually encourage the private school managements to retrench a considerable number of teachers. Abolition of English has already thrown out of employment a good many teachers. Add to this, the retrenchment of about 2000 out of 12,000 teachers to be caused by this increase in the hours of work. It is regrettable that the Government has not come out with any alternative to re-employ them. On the one hand, the Government puts a burden of more work on the backs of the already overworked teachers, while on the other, it further shelves its own responsibility by effecting a reduction in the staff of a school and consequent reduction in the grants on salaries of teachers. This again, at a time when the stage has already come for the Government to take charge of the entire Secondary Education of the Province!

Now to the hours of work themselves. In a time-table of a teacher, the periods allotted to him can be divided into two categories—teaching periods and "free periods." In reality, the "free periods" of a teacher are "non-teaching" periods during which time he has to put in a lot of other work such as his share of numerous extra-curricular activities, library, register, engaging the periods of absent teachers and the colossal amount of correction work. The Government decision has not only increased the teaching work but has proportionately added to the total work-load of the teacher. One can very easily imagine to what extent the teacher will have to toil without any appreciable amount of rest under the conditions imposed by the Government decision.

We have already a year's bitter experience of the self-condemned Parulekar-Ghate Scales which are "shockingly low." Will these scales ever enable the teachers to keep the wolf from the door? Where was the wisdom in putting restrictions on tuitions when a living wage is denied to them? Teachers have no love for tuitions—this humiliating and life-taking work is forced on them by their very adverse economic conditions.

Even that part of the Parulekar-Ghate recommendation No. 71 which provides for coaching backward children partially at the cost of Government has been rejected by the Government, thus depriving the teachers of some extra remuneration and making the private tuition of teachers an exclusive monopoly of a privileged few.

In short, living wage and security of service are denied to the teachers, their work-load has been increased, retrenchment seriously threatens a number of them, and teachers' representation on the School Management has been point-blank refused while new restrictions have been imposed on their organisations. Encouraged by this, some of the private managements have been victimising teachers and a-year-old cases of victimisation are still pending with the Education Department. Long experience on the part of teachers has become a disqualification in the absence of security of service. Increase in the fees has made Secondary Education costlier. This sad plight of Secondary Teachers and Secondary Education caused by the Government policy has shattered the long-cherished dreams of progressive educationists. The time has come for the people to think seriously and act accordingly.

P. S. REDKAR.

General Secretary,
Bombay North and Suburban
Secondary Teachers' Association.

"Government Impartiality?"

The Secondary School Committee observes, "On the educational grounds as well as on the grounds of social entity, we feel that there is no justification between two classes of persons with equal qualifications engaged in the same national service". In the light of the above statement, which has been accepted by the Government of Bombay as the basis of determining the scales of secondary school teachers, there are some glaring facts which point the way. It is universally accepted that the teachers are low paid and the same time they render invaluable service in the cause of the nation. Yet a certain amount of injustice has been done to the teachers in respect of the dearness allowance recently granted to them by the Government of Bombay. Whereas the Government servants are eligible for this allowance from January 1st the unfortunate teachers can only receive it from June 1st. If as the Government claim, they wish to hold the scales evenly between "two classes of persons with equal qualifications engaged in the same national service", why should this envidious distinction be made reflecting adversely on the impartial character of the Government.

M. R. BALE.

Economic Condition Of The Middle-Class

It is widely held that the middle-class has suffered an alarming economic deterioration during the last ten years. It would be of general interest if this belief were to be scrutinised in a spirit of scientific inquiry and in quantitative terms. The Bombay Branch of the Indian Statistical Institute has undertaken this task and has drawn out a statistical sample of middle-class families. The selected family will be provided with a questionnaire and requested to furnish certain data regarding the family income and expenditure for a period of one month. The information sought for will be fairly detailed and will include questions regarding certain matters of current interest. It is of the utmost importance for the success of the survey that it is regarded by the public as a matter of personal interest as only then would it be possible for them to give willing and accurate information to the investigators who will be sent round. Information furnished by individual families will, of course, be kept confidential and will be used only for the purpose of arriving at general results regarding this particular class of income earners.

If any of your readers happen to be selected for this survey or know someone who is so selected, may we request them, through your columns, to assist us by their co-operation both in answering the questionnaire and in persuading others to do so?

B. N. DATAR,
V. G. PENDHARKAR,

Joint Secretaries,
Indian Statistical Institute,
Bombay Branch.

Clemency Misplaced

I entirely agree with you that the sentence of death passed on Nathuram Godse and Apte for the murder of Mahatma Gandhi should be carried out without any interference on the part of the head of the State, and with all possible despatch. The Court having found that the murder was premeditated, cold-blooded and cruel, there is here no case whatever for the exercise by him of the prerogative of mercy, and it would be a gross abuse of that prerogative if he were to exercise it for initiating the abolition of death sentence. He would be clearly usurping the function of the legislature which alone can change the law in that respect. The question of its abolition has already been mooted in the Constituent Assembly. It will require very careful consideration from several aspects. The sentiment of the country in its favour is only one of them.

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OPEN AIR

About a year ago I saw in "Country Life" a letter from a Bandra reader on the subject of Ants' nests which are fortified by a series of concentric walls or rings of mud round the central entrance hole. The letter was accompanied by a photograph from which today's sketch has been taken. I was very interested in reading of this phenomenon for I had never come across it. The last time we went up the Ghats, however, I saw several nests of the same type, though perhaps because it was early in the rainy season, the earth-works were very much less complex. There was a central opening leading to the underground nest which was walled up to a height of almost three inches, and the mud wall had been worked till it was as smooth as potter's clay. The nests that we saw had only two or three concentric walls, and it seemed as if the ants increased the number of these protecting walls as the ground became wetter in order to prevent the water from running into the entrance hole and drowning the inmates of the nest. In most cases the nests were made on sloping ground, and the walls were higher on the side above the entrance hole than below.

D. R.

Administration Of Sikkim

DIWAN TO BE APPOINTED

NEW DELHI, June 28 (PTI).—Negotiations with Sikkim for accession to India or alternatively for an agreement for the control by India of communications, defence and external affairs will follow the appointment of a Diwan for the State, according to informed circles here.

The Government of India have asked the Provincial Governments of Bombay and the United Provinces for the loan of an official who will act as the Diwan of Sikkhim. On his appointment, he will take over the administration of the State in the name of the Maharaja from the Political Officer of India in Sikkim who will then resume his function as India's representative.

It is pointed out that in view of India's friendly policy towards Sikkim all along, actual accession may not be found necessary, if the substance of any agreement ensures control by India of Sikkim's external affairs, defence and communications.

The Government of India took over the administration of the Sikkim State on June 7 at the invitation of the Maharaja. This step followed a conflict and tension between him and his Ministry resulting in the breakdown of the administration and likelihood of bloodshed.

Dancing Girls To Stage Mock Funeral

KARACHI, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Dancing girls in Karachi's notorious "Red Light" area are credited with a plan to organise a mock funeral procession, carrying an effigy labelled "Mooseqi Ka Janaza" (the bier of music).

The procession will be in protest against the prevention of Prostitution Act, passed at the last session of the Pakistan Dominion Parliament. Officials of Karachi Administration have now been endeavouring to bring the Act into force.

A similar protest procession was said to have been organised during the rule of the Mogul Emperor Aurangzeb who had imposed a ban on music.

SOLUTION FOR ECONOMIC ILLS

Gadgil's Plea For Concerted Efforts

SIMLA, June 28 (PTI): Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, Government of India, said here that concerted and sustained efforts should be directed for the solution of economic ills confronting the country.

Mr. Gadgil who was speaking at a meeting of the employees of the Government of India Press, Simla, last evening said that "to make India self-sufficient, in respect of food, Government had planned out a dozen irrigation projects in the country and their construction had been so scheduled that it was expected to tide over food shortage in the next four to five years. His present visit to Simla was to acquaint himself with construction work of Bhakra and Nangal irrigation projects.

Limestone Deposits Found In South India

MADRAS, June 28 (PTI): Mr. C. Perumalswami Reddi, Industries Minister, told a questioner in the Madras Assembly today that the Geological Survey of India had reported the existence of large deposits of good limestone in Sattankulam area in Tinnevelly District.

He added an Indian concern had been permitted to start a cement factory at Talayathu, near the deposit area, with an annual production of 1,50,000 tons.

Stop Press

BILL TO UNMASK KU KLUX KLAN

MONTGOMERY (Albama), June 28 (UPA).—The State House of Representatives today followed the example of the Senate and swiftly approved a bill to unmask the Ku Klux Klan and other hooded groups. It was taken immediately to Governor James Folsom who was expected to sign it into law without delay.

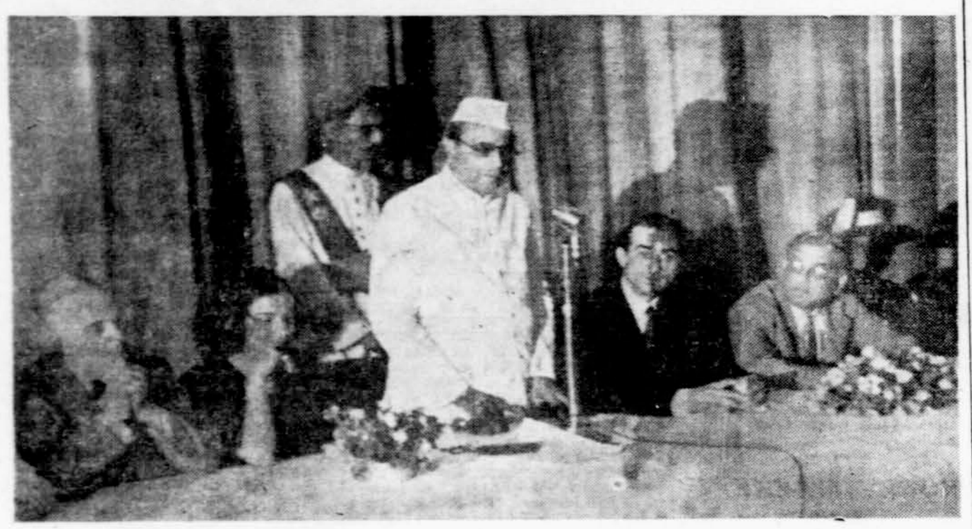
YANGTZE IN SPATE

NANKING, June 28 (UPA).—The swollen Yangtze River jumped its bank today flooding the Nanking river front and leaving 3,000 persons homeless. One wharf collapsed and ten others were menaced. Hundreds of houses were washed away. Some streets were submerged.

DATA ABOUT DISPLACED PERSONS

NEW DELHI, June 27 (PTI).—In order to facilitate contact amongst missing relatives of Indian citizens, both Muslims and non-Muslims the displaced persons' Search Service Organization of the Ministry of External Affairs has been collecting data about displaced persons separated from their relatives in India and in Pakistan.

U. N. CHARTER DAY CELEBRATION IN CITY



U.N. Charter Day was celebrated by the Progressive Group at Greens Hotel on Tuesday evening. Photo Shows Premier Kher addressing the gathering.

NO INHERENT DEFECTS IN U.N.O'S MAKE UP

Premier Kher's Call For Implementation Of Ideals

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

BOMBAY'S Premier Mr. B. G. Kher declared here to-day that the principles on which the United Nations Organisation was founded must succeed, for the only alternative to peace and agreement was war with its consequent annihilation, which was to be avoided at any cost.

Mr. Kher was addressing the Progressive Group at Green's the occasion being the celebration of the anniversary of the UN Charter. A vast and distinguished gathering including members of the consular corps was present on the occasion.

Mr. Kher said that the last two wars had threatened the extinction of some of the noblest principles for which man had stood. The UN Charter was an attempt to reaffirm some of those principles and to establish them as guiding directives in the conduct of the nations in their relations to each other. It was a declaration of the politico-moral faith which should inspire international policy and conduct.

The immediate objective of UNO was to save mankind from the scourge of war. The Charter however recognised that the problem in its fundamentals was an ethical problem, bound up with the question of dignity and worth of human individual, the estabishment of conditions of social justice, the improvement of the standard of life of the people and the practice of tolerance and other virtues.

NO INHERENT DEFECT.

Referring to the criticism levelled against UNO the Premier said that if that Organisation had not been able to achieve as much as was expected of it, it was not due to any inherent defect in its make-up but to the ineffectiveness in making the voice of the people heard forcefully through the representatives of different countries.

Unfortunately the atmosphere of the world was not free from suspicion, and until a psychological change took place in the minds of the people all over the world, the clashes of interests which were reflected in the discussions of the UNO would not disappear.

The duty of the UNO was to see that the conflicts and dissensions did not lead to any war which might endanger the very survival of numan culture and human society. It was from this point of view that the achievements of the UNO were to be welcomed.

After dealing with various aspects of the United Nations Organisation the Premier pleaded for strengthening that international body. He said: "It is up to us, the common men and women all over the world to strengthen the hands of the UNO by practicising in our daily life the precepts of love and peace, tolerance and endurance. If we strive in our respective spheres to impiement the ideals of the UNO, we should indeed lighten its task and render service to humanity."

A BEACON LIGHT.

Mr. M. C. Chagla, Chief Justice of Bombay said that the UNO Charter was like a beacon light to humanity. "It may be a distant star, but we have to hold out to that star," he said. He held that UNO was the only effective answer to war.

The Chief Justice pointed out that the Charter emphasised the fundamental rights of the individual and put them above everything else. It further stressed the dignity and worth of the human individual. This was indeed a great achievement.

India, said Mr. Chagla, was a loyal member of the UNO. It was due to India's effort that UNO had established the principle "that no country can make any distinction between one class of its subjects and another, and that no country even in its domestic sphere can legislate anything which was contrary to the principles and the spirit of the Charter."

The Chief Justice said that during his last tour of Europe he had found Switzerland happy and prosperous. The reason was that it had escaped the last two wars. The aim of the United Nations Charter was that people all over the world should enjoy the same peace and prosperity which the people of Switzerland enjoyed.

Mr. V. Kitson, High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in India suggested that the celebration of the anniversary of the Charter "should be in a way that might help us in rededicating ourselves to the fulfilment of the ideals laid down in the Charter".

Mr. Kitson further observed that as one of the leading countries of the world India had an important role to play in the Council of Nations. He believed that under the wise guidance of Pandit Nehru she would help promote the ideal of the world peace.

Transport For Cement Industry

NEW DELHI, June 28.

Representatives of the cement industry and Senior Officers of the Transport and Railways Ministries of the Government of India attended a special meeting of the Standing Committee of the Central Board of Transport held this morning at the Central Secretariat to finalise the movement programme for cement for the third quarter of 1949. Mr. A. K. Mukherjea, I.C.S, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Transport, presided

Cement is one of the three basic industries for which Government have decided to provide hundred per cent transport facilities.

Discussions revealed that during the second quarter, the demands for transport from almost every cement factory had been satisfactorily met by the Railways. The movement programme for the third quarter of this year was approved with slight modifications.

Elephant With Two Hearts

PORT JAMESON, NORTHERN RHODESIA—An elephant with two hearts and an axe in its stomach was shot dead in the Luangaa valley while raiding a garden.

In its death throes, the animal shed its tusks—according to native superstition, an omen of death for the hunter.

When the elephant was cut up, an axe head was found in its stomach. —P.T.I.-Reuter.

REDUCTION IN RISK CARGO RATES

LONDON, June 27 (PTI-Reuter):—The Institute of London Underwriters to-night announced a reduction in shipping risk cargo rates for voyages to India and Pakistan from three shillings to two shillings and six pence for £100.

Six-penny reductions have also been made for coastal voyages in India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

COMMONWEALTH CRISIS TALKS

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Mr. Harriman who represents the source of Marshall Aid.

Sir Stafford Cripps was understood to have recognised with appreciation the willingness of the United States to modify some of its proposals for greater freedom of intra-European trade to meet the British situation but on all points the British Chancellor had to stand firmly against any plan which directly or indirectly would result in European countries having too free and access to British reserves.

British Government Securities today staged a good recovery after another £100,000,000 sterling had been wiped off their market value in early dealings on the London Stock Exchange.

There were no reports of any intervention by the Government broker to assist prices. Government stocks had lost about £500,000,000 sterling since the collapse induced by growing fears over Britain's gold and dollar position began some ten days ago. Nationalisation issues were most affected, particularly the gas stock.

INDIAN SHIPPING STARVED IN HOME WATERS

British Companies At Their Old Game Again

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"HISTORY is once again repeating itself. An awkward situation is being created for Indian shipping in its home waters by powerful foreign vested interests. While they have levied a surcharge of 25% for cargoes coming to Bombay from the United Kingdom and the Continent and have raised fares by 25% on the Bombay/Persian Gulf run, they do not see the necessity of increasing freight in the coastal trade," said Mr. S. J. Pandya, Joint General Manager of the Scindia Company here on Monday.

Mr. Pandya pointed out that the American, Australian, British and Continental Lines had to increase freights and levy surcharges to cover the present high operational costs and to meet the situation created by abnormal delays to ships at the various ports.

He stressed the point that the working conditions for operating large vessels in the overseas and coastal shipping were more or less identical, but the British shipping interests trading on the coast were once again creating difficulties for Indian shipping companies in the coastal trade.

STARVING INDIAN COMPANIES

There was nothing surprising in the present attitude of the British Companies as they were merely following their traditional policy of starving Indian Companies, said Mr. Pandya. "They have realised that with the expansion of Indian shipping their trade must decrease. By adopting obstructive methods the British interests are posing as consumer's friends and are apparently trying to be on the right side of the Government; but they are really attempting to lengthen their lease of life in the coastal trade which the Government have decided to reserve for national shipping as soon as possible."

OPERATION COSTS

Mr. Pandya was replying to a question whether freight in coastal trade were likely to be raised.

Mr. Pandya said: "As compared with the pre-war figures the costs of operating the steamers have gone up by over 300% while the freight rates today are only 233-1/3% above the rates of 1939. Naturally, therefore, all the members of the Indian National Steamship Owners' Association comprised of over twelve Indian Shipping Companies including, Scindias, Bharat and Bombay Steam, were anxious to have reasonable increase in the coastal freights to meet the high costs of operation and losses due to delays, but the foreign interests were non-co-operating for reasons of their own.

Their bona-fides are easily challenged when we find that on runs which are wholly or largely covered by them, the necessary increases have already been introduced. These Companies can afford to adopt such hostile attitude now as they have earned back their capital several times in the days when they had virtual monopoly on the coast."

HISTORY REPEATS

Mr. Pandya emphasised that generally speaking the Indian Shipping Companies which had no opportunities in the past to build up adequate reserves, were bound to lose without reasonable increases in rates and the imposition of a surcharge particularly when the foreign companies operating in the overseas trades found it impossible to carry on without them, despite their substantial resources. "The huge reserves built up during those days have been effectively used by the foreign Companies in hampering the growth of national shipping during the last thirty years.

Mr. Pandya concluded: "History is once again repeating itself. An awkward situation is being created for Indian Shipping in its home waters by powerful foreign vested interests. While they have levied a surcharge of 25% for cargoes coming to Bombay from the United Kingdom and the Continent and have raised fares by 25% on the Bombay/Persian Gulf run, they do not see the necessity of increasing freight in the coastal trade.

When will the relics of British imperialism in India learn to adopt a more co-operative attitude?

People IN THE NEWS

DR. LOZANO

NEW DELHI, June 28 (P.T.I.): Dr. Alfredo Lozano, the out-going Columbian delegate of the United Nations Kashmir Commission, who was here since June 26, on his way to Gogota, Colombia, left for Simla today to meet the Governor-General Mr. C. Rajagopalachari.

He met Prime Minister Pandit Nehru and the Secretary General External Affairs Ministry, Sir Girja Shanker Bajpai yesterday.

Dr. Lozano is expected to be back here on June 30 to leave for Gogota the same night.

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MR. C. R. SRINIVASAN

MADRAS, June 28 (P.T.I.): Mr. C. R. Srinivasan accompanied by his wife and son Mr. C. S. Narasimhan left Madras this morning by air for Bombay "en route" to England.

After a brief tour of the continent Mr. Srinivasan will attend the next meeting of the Reuter Board in London as one of the members of the Reuter Trust.

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MR. H. V. R. IYENGAR

HUBLI, June 28: Mr. H. V. R. Iyengar, Home Secretary, Government of India is arriving in Bangalore today and is expected to visit Coorg.

Shri S. Nijalingappa, President of the Karnatak Provincial Congress Committee is proceeding to Bangalore after the conclusion of his present tour of Bellary District to be present during Mr. Iyengar's stay at Bangalore.

The purpose of Mr. Iyengar's visit is not known.

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J. M. L. MITCHESON

NEW DELHI, June 28 (P.T.I.): Mr. L. J. L. Addison, will succeed Mr. J. M. L. Mitcheson as Deputy High Commissioner for the United Kingdom at Calcutta on July 1. Mr. Addison has been serving with the U. K. High Commissioner in India since November 1947 and acted as Deputy High Commissioner for the U. K. at Calcutta for some time in 1948.

Liner Collides With Trawler

12 ESCAPE DEATH

ABOARD NIEUW AMSTERDAM (By Ship-to-shore telephone to New York), June 28 (UPA).—Twelve men escaped death by a scant 100 feet today when their 84-foot fishing boat Marmax crunched into the side of this 30,287-ton luxury liner in a murky morning fog.

The Marmax, with a crew of 12 out of New Bedford, Massachusetts, and outward bound with the fishing fleet, bounced off the side of the Nieuw Amsterdam 20 miles off of Nantucket, Massachusetts. Commodore C. Coster, Master of the Nieuw Amsterdam, said: "We had no warning that the Marmax was near us. There was a grinding crunch and the morning fog—it was a quarter of an hour after sun-up—was filled with yells and curses." Coster added: "We put a motor boat over and found that the Marmax had had her nose stove-in above the water-line. She was in no danger of sinking."

Building Up Solid Trade Unity Between India & Iraq

Missions Of Two Countries To Study Each Other's Economic Problems

BAGHDAD, June 27 (PTI-Reuter): The Iraqi Government is considering the building of solid economic and trade unity with India through exchange of trade missions between the two countries, said Dr. Dia Jaffar, Minister for Economics, in an interview to the Press Trust of India here.

The missions of the two countries, he said, would study each other's economic problems, and try to solve them accordingly with the two State's mutual interests.

"Iraq usually imports from India big quantities of tea, sugar, textile and other Indian local products, and exports to India big quantities of surplus food-stuffs, such as dates and barley which India needs", the Minister said.

"Iraq", he went on, "was on the top of India's importers' list during the period 1941-45, but owing to the reopening of the European, American and British markets, Iraq switched over to purchase from these countries instead of from India. In fact, the Indian Government's export and import restrictions were the main reason for this switch over.

"The Date Board Mission to India and Pakistan last year under the leadership of Sayid Abdullah Al-qassab, managed to remove certain obstacles in the way of exporting the Iraqi dates to India and paved the way to the forthcoming missions to deal with the economic problems of the two countries.

"My opinion is that it is in the interests of the two States to negotiate trade, barter and economic agreements for establishing their economic co-operation on a more solid unity."

Quarters close to the Baghdad Chamber of Commerce stated India could supply Iraq with various kinds of goods for which Iraqi importers usually paid twice as much to America and Europe. If India and Iraq therefore could reach final agreements in these respects, it would be a good chance to establish solid trade unity between the two States.

SURPRISE RAID ON TERRORISTS

SINGAPORE, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Security forces hunting down Malaya terrorists killed five armed men and wounded three others today.

Troops and police in the Bahru area of Negri, about 50 miles south east of Kuala Lumpur, surprised a terrorist band in camp. Three uniformed members of the band were killed. One escaped, badly wounded.

A military patrol combing the Sungei Jeloh area of Selangor, further north, shot dead two terrorists and wounded two others.

FIGHT AGAINST FRENCH IMPERIALISM

Mahe Citizens' Resolve

CALICUT, June 28 (PTI).—A solemn pledge "not to rest quiet till the last vestiges of French imperialism are wiped off from the Indian soil" was taken at a meeting of the citizens of Mahe on June 26.

The meeting which was held under the auspices of the Mahajana Sabha urged the immediate merger of Chandernagore with India and hoped this would give impetus to the freedom movement in the four French settlements in South India.

It also passed a resolution congratulating the "valiant fighters of Chandernagore" who voted overwhelmingly for merger with India against the "formidable odds of French imperialists."

Britain Not To Recognise Blockade

LONDON, June 28. (PTI-Reuter): Britain has now definitely decided not to recognise the Chinese Nationalist Governmments' closing of territorial waters in Communist-Administered areas to foreign shipping, it was learned from a usually reliable source today.

The decision to send the British naval sloop "Alacrity" to stand by outside territorial waters in the neighbourhood of Shanghai to aid British shipping if need be was believed here to have been co-ordinated with top level diplomatic policy.

Britain's decision has not yet been formally conveyed to the Chinese Government.

GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND COLLECTIONS

Bombay Tops List

NEW DELHI, June 28 (PTI).

The financial adviser of the Gandhi National Memorial Fund announces that collections to the fund up to the end of May, 1949, amounted to Rs. 9,28,76,466-9-6.

This amount includes collections from Provinces and States received in the central office of the Gandhi National Memorial Fund.

Bombay's contribution to the fund is the highest amounting to Rs. 2,46,22,239-11-10.

Collections from the Provinces and States are as follows:

Central Office: 14,18,810-5-10.

PROVINCES

		Amount		
Ajmer	Rs.	1,06,974	1	6
Andhra	..	5,85,741	10	10
Assam	..	16,05,971	12	0
Bengal	..	1,35,59,500	2	3
Berar	..	3,02,659	10	9
Bihar	..	48,95,346	10	9
Bombay	..	2,46,22,239	11	10
Delhi	..	17,16,868	5	6
Gujerat	..	8,79,519	8	0
Karnatak	..	9,19,764	7	7
Kerala	..	4,35,934	7	11
Mahakoshal	..	13,65,499	7	2
Maharashtra	..	31,82,307	15	4
Nagpur	..	16,99,056	15	4
Punjab (East)	..	34,05,946	13	9
Tamilnad	..	44,92,747	4	0
United Provinces		1,08,95,131	9	11
Utkal	..	10,28,285	2	2

STATES

		Amount.		
Baroda	..	10,36,292	11	9
Banaras	..	28,055	0	0
Bhopal	..	3,908	7	3
Bhor	..	30,545	0	0
Bikaner	..	2,06,063	10	0
Bilaspur	..	51	0	0
Chattarpur	..	5,125	0	0
Cochin	..	6,12,625	3	7
Cooch Bihar	..	5,085	0	0
Himachal Pradesh		77,464	1	6
Hyderabad	..	10,66,746	15	7
Jaipur	..	5,04,501	14	9
Jaisalmer	..	21,000	0	0
Jodhpur	..	3,45,285	4	8
Kashmir	..	13,653	14	0
Kolhapur	..	41,404	8	0
Bhuj	..	2,451	0	0
Malwa Union	..	31,00,474	5	10
Matsya Union	..	1,37,615	2	3
Mayurbhunj	..	2,06,977	13	0
Miraj (Senior)	..	6,425	0	0
Miraj (Junior)	..	3,000	0	0
Mysore	..	17,12,547	11	11
Palanpur	..	38,094	6	9
Phallor	..	98,197	11	0
Phulkia Union	..	9,27,145	9	0
Rajasthan	..	2,80,146	15	9
Saurashtra	..	22,20,661	15	0
Sangli	..	59,503	0	0
Sirohi	..	51,000	0	0
Sikkim	..	2,500	0	0
Tehri Garhwal	..	35,000	0	0
Travancore	..	5,54,790	13	4
Tripura	..	9,385	2	0
Vindaya Pradesh		2,11,347	0	0
Unallocated items:		13,78,006	10	11
Miscellaneous (interest receipts)	..	3,24,597	7	3
Total	Rs.	9,28,76,466	9	6

GANESHKHIND, June 28 (P.T.I.): The Governor of Bombay accompanied by Kumwarani Kamleshwar Dayal, attended the first round of the Southern Command football tournament at the Poona sub-area ground.

OBSERVERS' REPORT ON CHANDERNAGORE

Conclusions Telegraphed To French Government

PONDICHERY, June 28 (P.T.I.): The hope that Chandernagore will be handed over to India "very soon as the population has unmistakably given their verdict to join with the Indian union" was expressed today by M. Holger Andersaen and M. Rudolfo Baron Castro, the two observers appointed by the Vice-President of the International Court of Justice.

At a press conference here they said: "to expedite the matter we have yesterday sent our conclusions of the report telegraphically to the French Government from here. We will submit a detailed report of the whole proceedings of the Chandernagore referendum after our return to Europe. Meanwhile, we will be visiting Karaikal and see for ourselves the present prevailing conditions in the French settlements in India".

Rail Traffic In Berlin At A Standstill

BERLIN, June 28, (PTI-Reuter): Rail traffic inside Berlin and to the Western zones of Germany was still at a standstill this evening, though Western Sector railway strikers had quietly returned to work this morning.

The Soviet zone railway administration was unwilling to give the "all clear" for resumption of inter-zonal rail traffic, claiming that the tracks had not yet been tested. The British Military duty train for Western Germany will not be put back into service until the situation has become normal, a British Military Government spokesman said.

ATTEMPT ON BURMESE COMMISSIONER

RANGOON, June 28, (U. P. I.): A report received says that an attempt was made by the insurgents on the Special Commissioner U. Win former Ambassador, and his party while they were going to Yenangyaung to study the conditions after the reoccupation of the place by the Government forces. A gang of insurgents armed with various automatic weapons tried to ambush the official party, but the timely arrival of the reinforcements from the army outposts on the route saved the situation.

TRAVANCORE-COCHIN UNION

INAUGURAL CEREMONY ARRANGEMENTS

TRIVANDRUM, June 28 (P.T.I.): The inaugural ceremony of the United States of Travancore and Cochin will be held in the Travancore Legislative Chambers on July 1 at 10-25 a.m.

Arrangements are being made for illuminating the main road from the Maharaja's palace gates to the east front on the nights of June 30 and July 1. The Secretariat will also be decorated and illuminated.

Travancore and Cochin national anthems will be played by the Travancore State Forces Bands as the Maharaja takes his seat on the dais.

Mr. V. P. Menon, Adviser to the States Ministry, will read the Covenant and the Chief Justice of Travancore will read the letter from His Highness the Maharaja to the Government of India. The Maharaja will thereafter assume office as Rajpramukh of the Union.

The Premier-designate and the Ministers will then be sworn in.

The ceremony will close with the singing of "Jana Gana Mana."

Arrangements have also been made for filming the function while a running commentary of the proceedings will be broadcast from the Trivandrum Station of the All India Radio.

Constable Commits Suicide

MADRAS, June 28. (PTI): The body of a police constable of the City Armed Reserve was found hanging from a tree on the Island Grounds this morning.

It is stated that he was on guard duty yesterday at the Fort and left the place at 8 p.m. for home.

M. Tezenas For Paris

PONDICHERRY, June 28. (PTI): Monsieur Tezenas Du Montcel, Inspector General for French Overseas Territories now on special duty in Pondicherry, is leaving for Delhi tomorrow to meet the French Ambassador in India M. Daniel Levy. From Delhi he will proceed to Paris for consultations with the French Government regarding French India.

Giving this information in an interview to the Press Trust of India M. Tezenas said he was hopeful that the French Indian problem would be solved peacefully.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Early Losses Recovered On Active Short Covering In Tata Steels

BOMBAY, June 28

With disquieting news from Calcu tta and sharp drop in British Securities, the local Stock Exchange opened lower and after scattered liquidation, the market steadied on active short covering.

As pointed out before, the market is demoralised and there is utter absence of any investment buying support. Speculative buying seems to have no foundation as quotations are giving way to new low levels. Removal of partial control on certain varieties of cloth have had very little effect on the market.

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1132 against yesterday's close at Rs. 1160 and declined at Rs. 1127-8 under scattered selling. At this level speculative shorts came in to cover with a view to secure profits and Defds ..gained about 10 points from the low level reached to-day and were quoted at Rs. 1137-8. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 235 and improved at Rs. 237.

Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 902-8 and improved at Rs. 917 on professional support. It is said that a fairly large block of these shares are held some professional operators. Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 234 while Swadeshi shares were done at Rs. 253. Scindia shares opened at Rs. 12-10 and after declining at Rs. 12-9 steadied at Rs. 12-12.

Thereafter there was scattered selling and Tata Steel Defds declined at Rs. 1127-8 and Ordinary shares were done at Rs. 235-8. Bombay Dyeings changed hands at Rs. 910. Central Indias were quoted at Rs. 203-2 and Gokaks were placed at Rs. 229-8. Kohinoors were done at Rs. 233-8. Simplexes and Swadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 140 and at Rs. 250-8 respectively.

Tata Powers were placed at Rs. 1432-8. Associated Cements were done at Rs. 128-12 and Belapurs changed hands at Rs. 164-6. Bombay Burmas were quoted at Rs. 246-4 and Central Bank share were placed at Rs. 76-8.

Towards the close the market recorded sharp recovery on active short covering. Tata Steel Defds wiped off all earlier losses and advanced at Rs. 1160, while Ordinary shares rose at Rs. 242. Bombay Dyeings improved at Rs. 921 and Kohinoors were done at Rs. 236. Swadeshi shares were placed at Rs. 254 and Scindias improved at Rs. 13-1. Closing tone was steady.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	921 4
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)-	236 0
Svadeshi Mills (12-4)	254 0
Central India Mills (4)	205 0
Simplex Mills (3)	144 0
New Great Eastern (8)	128 0
Indore (9 plus 3)	107 8
Gokak Mills (12) X D	233 0
Century Spinning (15)	206 4
Colaba (12)	115 0
India Bleaching (6) X.D.	126 0
Swan Mills (20)	275 0
Finlay Mills (15)	227 0
Morarji Goculdas	410 0
Edward Sassoon (30)	196 4
Meyer (12)	110 10
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 1 6
India United Ordinary (0-13-9)	10 8
India United Defd. (0-2-6)	1 7
Madhusudan Mill (15)	180 0
Podar (S)	130 0
Khatau Makanji (5)	189 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	242 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-13)	1160 0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-3)	134 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	130 0
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	251 4
Belapur Sugar (9)	168 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	21 0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13 0
Premier Construction	72 8
Tata Chemical	7 12
Tata Oil (2)	40 8
Indian Iron (0-12)	19 0
Bengal Steel (0-8-9)	15 0
British India Corp. (0-9)	7 0
I. Copper	1 11
Wimco	150 0
Alcock	210 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Power (25)	1432 8
Andhra Valley (30)	1385 0
Tata Hydro (3)	146 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	54 0
Phoenix	150 0
Indian Mfg.	4150 0
Kurla	117 8
New City (4)	151 4
Minerva (12)	113 12
Bradbury	313 2
Bharucha Defd. (0-4.	4 10
Bharat Mills (2)	23 12
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	172 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	14 8
Model Mills (12-8)	160 0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	583 12
Vishnu Cotton (8)	188 12
Western India (40)	4070 0
Standard (15)	205 0
Sholapur Mills (200)	2650 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	15 8
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-4)	39 0
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	260 0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	29 8
New Union Mills (0-8)	15 4
Madhusudan B (2-8)	45 0
Srinivas Mills (8)	153 12
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	78 12
Berar Mills	281 4
Victoria Mills	225 0
New Great New	156 0
ELECTRICS (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (4-8)	118 12
Ahmedabad New	43 4
Surat Electric (2-8)	133 12
Karachi Electric (2)	131-8
Broach (0-5)	7 8
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 6 8
Amalgamated (0-12)	12-8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electric Supply (S)	146 14
Bombay Suburban (3) XR	131 4
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1765 0
Imperial Bank of India pp (8-12)	435 0
Central Bank	75
Central Bank New (1-8)	76 8
Bank of India (4)	176 0
Union	7 4
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	113 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	40 0
United Commercial (8)	38 0
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 8
Hindustan Commercial	26 12
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125)	4040 0
Empire (10)	625 0
New India (7)	53 0
Jupiter (1-4)	14 4
Vulcan (0-10)	11 8
Indian Mercantile (21)	32 4
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B. I. G. (1)	19 0
Industrial and Prudential	29 8
Neptune	7 0
New Great	25 0
All India General	15 10
RAILWAY SHARES	
C. P. (1-14)	113 0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (10)	225 0
Bombay Burma New (5)	95 0
Burma Petrol	1 3
Mackenzie (6)	65 0
Port Canning (3)	67 8
Kemp and Co. (30)	398 8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	128 8
Industrial Invest Trust (3-12)	90 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	33 0
Mukund Iron	10 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	16 0
Alembic (15)	150 0
Supreme India X.R.	
Jam Wire (6)	67 4
Bombay Uganda	60 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	30 0
Indian Cement (1937)	20 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	122 8
United Motor	32 0
Associated Cement New (3)	127 0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	680 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbolic X.D.	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrela Batteries	51 0
Manmad Press	120 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	191 10
Andhra Valley (7)	1235 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1310 0
Hydro Electric (7)	123 12
Bombay Steamer (6)	248 12
Central India (5)	635 0
Swadeshi Mills	126 4
Vishnu Mills (7)	646 4
Lakshmi Mills	258 12
New Great Mills (5-8)	220 0
Podar Mills (4)	105 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	107 8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	305 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	140 10
Pre. Construction First	102 8
Pre. Construction 2nd Pref.	101 12
Amalgamated	115 0
Habib	72 0
Tata Chemical	113 12
Walchandnagar	130 0
Jupiter	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	121 4
Mackenzie (1st)	85 0
Mackenzie (2nd)	80 0
Standard	101 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mill	50 0
Madhusudan	12 0
Khatau	100 12
Morarji	94 8
DEBENTURES.	
Andhra 1952	103 8
Gula Kalamsingh	8 9
Rubber Planting	17 0
Bombay Steamer	96 8
Indian Hume Pipe	101 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchandnagar	105 0
OUTSIDE SHARES.	
Burma Corporation	2 0
New Victoria Mill	1 8
New Victoria (Pref.)	3 12
Faltan (8)	105 0
Gold Mohoor	312 8
New Kaiser Hind	360 0
Sajjan Mill (20)	160 0
Osmanshahi (10)	245 0
Azamshahi	255 0
Air Services	12 6
Air India Tata	84 0
Hind Motor	3 6
India Steam	5 4

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, June 28.

Tata Ordinary 242; Tata Deferred 1160; Indian Iron 19, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 15; Bombay Dyeing 921-4; Central India 205; Gokak 233-2; Kohinoor 236-4; Simplex 144; Swadeshi 254-6; Tata Power 1432-8; Associated Cement 130; Belapur 168-12; Bombay Burma (Old) 251-4; Scindia 13; Central Bank 75-8; New India 53; Tata 2nd Pref. 134-6.

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, June 28.

120 Ready Japan	3	2	6
150 Ready Japan	3	3	0
120 Ready Italy	2	13	6
150 Ready Italy	3	2	6
150 D. Box June	631	0	0
150 D. Box July	641	0	0

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

During the week ended the 24th June, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 4,36,50,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

BULLS BIDDING UP SILVER PRICES

Members To Consider Proposed Changes Tomorrow

BOMBAY, June 28.

The general meeting held yesterday to consider proposed changes in trading rules was adjourned without transacting any business owing to legal technicality. The meeting will be held tomorrow.

In the meantime, professional operators are bidding up silver prices. It is freely talked on the floor of the Bullion Exchange that a new Syndicate is formed to manipulate market with a view to push up prices.

Forward Silver for Ashad delivery opened at Rs. 180-12 well over yesterday's close but during the early stage there was scattered realising and Silver declined at Rs. 180-8. At this level there was active professional buying and the market made a sharp upward drive at Rs. 181-8. There was considerable short covering. Bulls have virtual control of the situation as the entire floating stock is with them. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 181-10.

Gold for Ashad delivery opened at Rs. 114-12 and after declining at Rs. 114-9 advanced at Rs. 114-14 in sympathy with the rise in Silver. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 115-14 while Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 75.

Later on there was persistent buying in Silver and the market advanced at Rs 182-2.

Silver advanced at Rs. 182/10 but reacked at Rs. 181-8 on hedge selling. Next delivery is quoted at a discount of Rs. 2 to 2-1/2. Final quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ashad Silver	182	0	0
Ready Silver	181	8	0
Ashad Gold	115	2	0
Ready Gold	116	0	6
Sovereigns	75	8	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, June 28.

There was no forward business today in the local cotton market as prices ruling in the market were above ceiling level In ready very little cotton was offered owing to scarcity. Absence of rain in most of the cotton growing districts is drawing attention.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton September Contract is 543 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON.

ALEXANDRIA, Ju

KARNAK July	64.90
KARNAK Nov.	53.25
KARNAK Jan.	51.55— 75
ASHMOUNI Aug.	41.80— 36
ASHMOUNI Oct.	42.00— 38
ASHMOUNI Dec.	42.05— 38

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, June 28.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98	12	0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100	10	0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99	10	0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96	11	0
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99	11	0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	3	0
2 3/4 per cent 1976	95	12	0
3 per cent non-terminable	98	8	0
3 per cent 1966 Con.	98	7	0
3 per cent 1949-52	100	3	0
3 per cent 1951-54	101	9	0
3 per cent 1953-55	102	0	0
3 per cent 1957	101	8	0
3 per cent 1959-61	101	1	0
3 per cent 1963-65	100	5	0
3 per cent 1966-68	100	2	0
3 per cent 1970-75	100	0	0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104	12	0
4 per cent 1960-70	110	6	0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	102	8	0
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	110	8	0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	114	4	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
2 3/4 per cent U.P. 1961	97	6	0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97	2	0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	12	0
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	10	0
3 per cent Punjab 1949	99	12	0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	4	0
3 per cent U.P 1952	100	4	0
3 per cent C.P 1952	100	4	0
3 per cent N W F. 1952	98	0	0
3 per cent U. P. 1961-66	99	14	0
4 per cent B.P.T.	110	12	0
4 per cent B. Municipality 1959	110	8	0
5 per cent B. Municipality	114	0	0
6 per cent B Municipal 1954	115	0	0
3 per cent B. Municipal 1950-60	107	0	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, June 28.

The local produce market was quietly steady. There was mostly routine business which produced minor changes in quotations as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Khandesh quality	38	10	0
Coromandal Ready	37	10	0
Bold Ready	37	10	0
June-July	37	14	0
August-September	37	4	0
November-December	32	11	0
CASTORSEEDS —			
Ready	28	4	0
LINSEED—			
Ready	29	13	0
June-July	29	4	0
August-September	28	10	0
GROUNDNUT OIL—			
Local Mills	21	0	0
Ready Mills	20	14	0
June	21	0	0
July	20	15	0
August	20	11	0
September	20	8	0
November	18	0	0
Linseed Oil	17	0	0
CASTORSEED OIL—			
First pressing quality	17	0	0
Castorseed oil Commercial quality	18	8	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, June 28.

B C Rates T T D D 1-5 15/16 Ready

B. C. Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month

New York and Montreal B C Rate T T Rs. 332 1/4.

Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T T Rs. 330

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4

Montreal Rs. 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329

Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 L/C

Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs 8100

Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs 8320

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl. 79.

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D Gldr 79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 83 1/4

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs 157

Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 165 1/4

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs 52 57-63 43 London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3.4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl 40; London-Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4, London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19-32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 15/16-1/2 25/32 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 128-130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 99.80-100.20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8.14; London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4-02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 1096-1098; London-Prague Cross Rate K. 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 17.34-36.

London Discts 3 Mos 5/8 p.c. London Discts 6 Mos 3/4 p c

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call 3/4 pc; 3 Mos 1 p c; 6 Mos 1-1/4 p c; 12 Mos 1-1/2 p c.

Tone:—Easy.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, June 27.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 71-1/2 cents

SILVER: Consumers absorbed 100-000 ounces at unchanged price.

LONDON BULLION

London, June 27.

SILVER: Spot & Forward 43-1/2 d

GOLD: Bars Fine per oz. £8-12-3.

London price for exportable sterling area Silver 58 to 59 nom.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

MILLS

Apollo 2-1 2-2-6 2-1-6

Bharat 23-12

B. Dyeing 902-8 13-12 10 20 17-8 21-4

C. India 204 2-8 5

Century 207-8 6-4

Colaba 115

Elphinstone Ord 52 51

„ Pref 107-8

Finlay 225 27

Gokak 229 27 30 29 33

I. U. Defd 1-7-6 1-7

„ Ord 10-8 10-5 10-8

Indore 97-8 98 95 105 2-8 7-8

Kohinoor 233 30 35 33-8 36

Meyer 110-10

Morarji 407-8 6-4 10

New City 151-4

New Great 128

New Union 15 15-4

Simplex 140 39 44

Svadeshi 250 51 48 54-8 52 54

Swan 275

Tata Mills 39

Vishnu 188-12 85-10 88-12

C. P. Rly. 113

Scindia 12-12 12-8 12-12 12-11 13

BANKS

Baroda 115 13

Central 77 76 76-8 74 75-8

New 75 76-8

Imperial Old 1768-12 55 65

„ New 432-8 34-6 32-8 35

India 177 75 76

Union 7-4

U. Commercial 39 38

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 118-12

Andhra Valley 1385

Suburban 128-12 26-4

Hydro 146

Power 1432-8

INSURANCE

I. Mercantile 32-8 32-4

New India 52-12 53-8 53

Oriental 4040

Vulcan 11-8

STEEL

B. Steel 14-11 15

I. Iron 18-9 18-12 18-11 19

Tata Defd 1137-8 22-8 40 33-12 60

„ Ord 236 35-8 36 34 37-12 36-12 42

„ 1st Pref 191-4 91-14

„ IInd Pref 135 34 34-4 33-12 34

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 210

ACC Old 130 28-8 29-8 29 30

„ New 127 25 27

Belapur 165 64 67-8 67 68

BB Old 250 46-4 51-4

„ New 95

„ Petrol 1-2-6 1-3

BIC 7

I. Bleaching 126 24 26 (ex div.)

Dharamshey 33 (ex div.)

I. Copper 1-11

I.I. Trust 90

Port Canning 67-8

P. Const. 71-8 68-8 72-8 71-8 72-8

Tata Chem 7-12 7-11 7-12

„ Oil 40-8 40 40-8

Wimco 1528 50

SPECIAL

Ahmedabad Elec New 43-

Meyer Pref 110

NEW YORK PEPPER MARKET DULL

NEW YORK, June 27 (PTI-Reuter):

BLACK PEPPER:

The market for black pepper on the spot today was a dull affair with few transactions taking place. Values, however, were firmly maintained: buyers were willing to pay 101 cents while scattered offerings were still in the market at 102 cents level. Meanwhile, it was believed in some quarters that many consumers will reenter the market because of the approach of the heavier consuming season and prospects for small imports in the months ahead. Today's closing quotations: Black Pepper: Spot 101.00 bid, July 103.00 asked, September 102.00 nominal, October 98.00 nominal, December 94.00 nominal, January 76.00 nominal, March 65.00 nominal, May 64.00 nominal. White Pepper spot 1.55 nominal.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES EASIER

LONDON, June 27 (PTI-Reuter):

The pepper market was quiet and easier with 4s. 11d. a pound paid for black lampong June-July shipment c.i.f. basis ports. Malabar afloat was offered at 570 shillings per cwt., and was quoted at 562 shillings 6 pence for June-July shipment c.i.f. basis ports. For June shipment to New York 565 shillings per cwt., were still quoted. White Muntock and Sarawak were a penny cheaper being offered at 7s. 4d. a pound c.i.f. basis ports.

SINGAPORE PEPPER MARKET

SINGAPORE, June 27 (PTI-Reuter).

Due to the absence of fresh arrivals, very quiet conditions prevailed in the Singapore pepper market today. The price of Lampong remained unchanged at 268 while White Muntock was quoted one dollar lower at 400 dollars per picul exgodown.

WEAKNESS IN EXPIRING JULY COTTON CONTRACT

Less Favourable Aspect Of New Crop

NEW YORK, June 27 (UPA)

Weakness in expiring July cotton futures delivery contrasted with relative steadiness in the new crop months on the New York Cotton Exchange today.

July plummeted to 32.50 cents per pound, establishing the lowest level in three weeks and a loss of 74 points from the season's high of last Tuesday. Traders blamed the selling on nervous liquidation by speculators fearful of heavier tenders on the contract before the position expires on July 13th. They reasoned that the three and one-half cent premium commanded by July plus a slowdown in spot demand as the mills enter the vacation period would attract liquidation by shippers and speculators unwilling to carry the old crop cotton into October.

SPOT HOUSE SELLING

But a leading spot house which has been a consisting July seller has done very little over the past few dayys. Also running couter to the heavier delivery expectations is the fact that certificated stock on Monday hit a new seasonal low at 17,039 bales.

Resistance in forward contracts was coupled with the less favourable aspect of the crop news, emphasizing the backwardness in development for the eastern and central belts because of excessive rains and insect infestation.

NEW CROP STEADY

New crop months also drew support from the prospects for maintenance of high government price supports. The administration's farm bill, introduced into the House of Representatives today, provides for 100 percent of parity loans on cotton and a number of other commodities. The bill would repeal the so-called Aiken Law which would put supports on a flexible 60 to 90 per cent basis effective next January 1st.

The market opened two higher to eight lower and closed two to 36 lower. Closing prices:

Deliv-	Opening	High	Low	Close
July	32.83	32.84	32.46	32.47-.50
October	29.40	29.40	29.28	29.33-.35
December	29.25	29.25	29.16	29.23
March	20.12	29.15	29.08	29.11 bid
NEW ORLEANS				
July	32.83	32.84	32.46	32.47-.50
October	29.30	29.30	29.18	29.26
December	29.17	29.18	29.09	29.15
March	29.07 bid	29.10	29.00	29.07

New York Stocks Quiet

NEW YORK, June 27 (UPA):

Stock prices moved irregularly at the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange today. Trading was quiet. The list opened relatively firm and displayed a steady tone until the announcement of a 14-month low in steel production. Previously the market had discounted such news as the weakening of the London market, lower rail earnings and the beginning of summer shutdowns for vacations.

Steel issues eased in the face of declining production rate. Benguet Consolidated Mining, just admitted to trading from the over the counter market closed at two and one-quarter. Motors were steady; oils fluctuated; and rails gained.

Closing prices:

Abott Lab	38	3/4
Am. Export Lines	16	
Am. Sugar	35	
Bankers Trust	37	1/8
Bank of America	38	1/2
Boeing Airplane	19	1/2
Canadian Pacific	11	1/8
Celanese	26	3/4
Chase Nat. Bank	33	3/8
Firestone	—	
Montgomery Ward	11	3/4
Nash Kelvinator	33	3/4
Nat. City Bank	35	1/8
Shell Oil	17	3/8
Southern Pacific	11	
Studebaker	23	3/8
Transamerica	16	1/4
Twentieth Cent. Fox	14	3/4

Shipping News

IMPORTS

S.S. BANTAM

From New York—186 skids tin plate waste, 511 bundles galvanized pipes.

From New Orleance—400 drums lubricating oil, 1700 drums diesel oil, 222 bls. skim milk powder, 230 drums white power fuel oil, 50 drums engine oil, 40 drums liquid glucose, 31 drums chemicals No. 5.

From Alexandria—250 drums lubricating oil, 250 drums pale oil, 135 drums diesel oil, 300 drums diesel fucl oil, 890 drums pale spindle oil, 5128 ingots prime western zinc.

S.S. STAR OF CAIRO.

From Alexandria—11667 bales cotton.

S.S. CORUM

From Montreal Que—1098 bdls. newsprint papers, 1370 drums carkide of calcian, 2796 cases milk powder, 33 cases skinned milk powder, 93936 pcs. fish plates.

123 boxes electric metors, 100 cases condensed milk.

M. V. SONAVATI.

From Karachi: 152 bdls alyoosh; 273 bdls appricotts; 923 bdls khishmish; 141 bags pisteshell; 56 bags pista karnels; 3644 bags goowar; 3000 bags cotton seed; 200 bags salt pater.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT DWARKA.

To Karachi: 5 baskets betel leaves —S. H. Larshi; 5 baskets betel leaves —S. K. Alikhas; 20 baskets betel leaves—M. Din and Co.; 50 baskets betel leaves—R. M. Jaffer; 60 baskets betel leaves—M. Ellai and Co.; 40 baskets betel leaves—L. Eecharlal; 96 baskets betel leaves—B. Baboo; 20 baskets betel leaves—A. G. Panwalla; 20 baskets betel leaves—Evergreen Supply Agency; 20 baskets betel leaves—J. Pradhan; 20 baskets betel leaves—M. Juraram; 20 baskets betel leaves—Rajab and Co.; 20 baskets betel leaves—Akbar and Co; 10 baskets betel leaves T Normant; 140 baskets betel leaves A. Alimohmed; 31 baskets betel leaves P. A. Raheman; 21 baskets betel leaves A. Abdulla; 20 baskets beted leaves—V. Oosman; 10 baskets betel leaves—A. Jusab; 55 baskets betel leaves C. A. Aziz; 25 baskets betel leaves—M. Karsondas; 65 baskets betel leaves—M. Salam and Co.; 75 baskets betel leaves—M. B. Shaik; 15 baskets betel leaves—E. S. Bhada; 30 baskets betel leaves Bhajani and Co.

S.S. SONAVATI.

To Karachi: 1000 bags fresh betel leaves—L. Belharlal.

S.S. PENTAKOTA.

To Hull: 577 bags linseed—A. C nerbho.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, June 28:

ARRIVAL

"THOMAS" arrived from Rangoon with general cargo of 4320 tons on June 27.

"MOZAFFARI' arrived from Fremantle with general cargo of 2100 tons on June 27.

"MARY" from W. Hartlepool with general cargo of barley 9536 tons on June 27.

"STEENSTRAETE" from New York with general cargo of 3687 tons on June 27.

"DARA" from Basra with passengers and general cargo of 2611 tons on June 27.

"KAMPALA" From Durban with general cargo of 2647 tons on June 28.

"TRIANOW" from Basra with general cargo of 4400 tons on June 28.

"CITY OF WINDSOR" from Philadalphia with general cargo of 6991 tons on June 28.

DEPARTURE

"SVISA" for Colombo with general cargo 1039 tons on June 27.

"UNION POWER" for Kobe with general cargo 1200 tons on June 27.

RUBBER MARKET STEADY

NEW YORK, June 27 (UPA):

Rubber futures were steady in a quiet market dominated by the exchanging of contracts for physicians. The steady undertone was maintained with the market drawing support from the smaller decrease in natural rubber consumption for May than was expected, and the steadiness at London and Singapore.

Domestic companies marked time in the spot market after purchasing fair sized quantities last week. Some quarters believed that further manufacturer demand would be met on any declines. The opinion leaned towards the theory that the market trend would react to demand on government buying for stockpile.

CHICAGO GRAINS

CHICAGO, June 27 (PTI-Reuter).

Chicago grains; after early steadiness mainly on the improved technical position as a result of Saturday's sharp sell-off, prices declined under the leadership of wheat. The latter lost ground under increased hedge pressure based on expanding harvesting in the south-west and larger arrivals at the terminal markets.

Lower cash prices were an additional depressing factor. The weakness of cottonseed oil caused selling in soyabeans and lard futures. Toward the close, however, prices rallied on improved demand from commercial interests and short covering.

CHICAGO GRAINS.

CHICAGO, June 27.

July 1.96-1/8.
September 1.97-3/4.
December 2.00-1/4.
March 1.97-3/4.

Philippine Stock On New York Exchange

NEW YORK, June 27 (UPA):

The first exclusively Philippines issue was listed on the New York Stock Exchange Monday when Benguet Consolidated Mining Company went up on the big board and became the 1,446 issue to be listed by the exchange.

In pre-opening ceremonies, Exchange president Emil Schram welcomed the companies directors. In the first day's trading, there were 29,600 shares volume with the price opening at two and three-eighths and closing at two and one-fourth.

Judge Hausserman, head of the company, said the move "recognizes the stability of the Philippines as an investment field". Philippines Ambassador Carlos Romulo said, "This is a red letter day for Philippines economy. It is the best reply to statements that American capital is averse to going to the Philippines".

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, June 27.

T. T. London on:—

New York Selling 4.0275, Buying 4.0325; Montreal Selling 4.0275, Buying 4.0325; Zurich Selling 17.34. Buying 17.36; Sweden 14.47 to 14.50.

Worth Street Market Dull

NEW YORK, June 27 (UPA):

Textile markets were dull today. A cautious overtone prevailed.

Some cotton gray goods mills will vacation next week for one or two weeks although some plants are expected to add another week or two to the holiday period. Some converters indicated the possibility of a continued lull until late July and early August when buyers are expected to begin looking over early spring linens.

Bag and sheeting manufacturers continued to price check the sheeting market quietly while shoe manufacturers displayed a developing interest in soft filled sheetings and some drills.

In industrial fabrics, sateens held firm on inquiry from the coating industry but ducks moved in small amounts for spot delivery while hose and chafer fabrics for the tire industry remained in the doldrums.

Drop Of £ 20 Crores In British Securities In A Day

GOVERNMENT BELIEVED ABANDONING CHEAP MONEY POLICY

LONDON, June 27, (PTI-Reuter): Falls in the value of British Government securities, amounting to about £200,000,000 on the London Stock Exchange today alone, are believed by financial observers to mean that the British Government is abandoning its cheap money policy.

While opposing devaluation or any change in exchange rates, the British authorities are conceding a major change in interest rates because they have found the cheap money policy involves too big a drain on gold reserves and does not justify the exchange controls and other restrictions it entailed.

For the past ten days Government securities have been registering uneasiness about sterling and Britains gold reserves. Giltedged have altogether lost something like £200,000,000 from their post-war peak, some five hundred million of this loss being registered in the past few weeks.

Today's further declines were the sharpest yet, reaching one and a quarer points in Consols and nearly two points in some of the nationalisation stocks. In this giltedged market, which can cometimes handle fifty million sterling worth of stock in a day, it was difficult to deal in more than moderate quantities.

Significantly, today as throughout the decline, there was no official support. There is reason to believe that Britain's quarterly gold return, when published in the next few days, will show a serious loss since the end of March.

It was thought in a responsible financial quarter that this would continue to depress the giltedged market.

Adamant opposition to sterling devaluation by all British financial authorities was reiterated in a responsible quarter today. It was said that British officials are convinced that devaluation would worsen the position while any benefits from it would be very fleeting.

In the United States and Switzerland the problem is to prevent surplus savings running to waste and causing unemployment. In Britain the problem is absolute shortage of savings, not only for internal capital equipment and for building the gold reserve but also for releases of sterling to such countries as India, Pakistan and South Africa.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON OCTOBER
NEW YORK, June 28.

Previous Closing	29.33
Today's Opening	29.33
Difference	nil
Today's Closing	29.33
Difference	nil

NEW YORK STOCKS.
NEW YORK, June 28.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 26.
General Motors 55 1/4.
U. S. Steel Common 21 1/8.
U. S. Steel Preference unquoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Displays Firm Tendency

LONDON, June 28 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Investment support together with bear covering assisted the Giltedged market today. Although final levels showed many small losses, there was also an occasional net again. The section had opened with continuation of the recent selling and fresh weakness appeared with heavy declines in nationalisation issues.

A changed sentiment around midday, however, resulted in an improved tone which spread to the other markets.

Industrial leaders met small inquiry and such issues as Woolworths, Dunlops and Boots Pure Drug recorded useful gains. Other industrials passed a quiet day and were slightly irregular.

The improved tendency spread to oils, and fractional gains were uppermost among these issues.

There was some interest and firmness in argentine issues following the signing of the anglo-argentine trade agreement. Tramway issues were wanted and there were gains in other utilities.

Foreign bounds were quiet, but rails were easier.

South African minings were firm. Buying was encouraged by news of further gold sales at a premium. Dividend payers moved higher and there were improvements in Free States.

KARACHI COTTON MARKET.
(From Our Correspondent.)
KARACHI, June 28.

Cotton Sindi nt 88, Punjab 289 f 92, Isa 87/8, Fourf 84, Steadier accounts of active demand.

Spot business 3427 mostly of fourf iss and nt cotton.

Exports 200 for Tuticorin, New crop October 74/8 to 76 but no business.

Cottonseeds nt ready 8/6. August 8/7/6. Easier ready demand.

Gold 110, Sovereigns 70/12, steady.

STOCK EXCHANGE: Habib Insurance 69/8, Karachi Electric 135, Hyderabad Electric 97, Three per cent 1960 Loan 101/14. Steady but business small.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET.
(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, June 28.

Amidst nervousness in beginning of session bears covered sales and market got very strong push.

Fluctuations: Calico opened 965, lowest 951, highest 974.

Arvind opened 1382, lowest 1366, highest 1394.

Ambica opened 360, lowest 350.

Deferred opened 1135, lowest 1123, highest 1164.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1393, Ambica 358, Calico 973, Deferred 1162, Ramkrishna 205.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION FALLING IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, June 27 (UPA).

Industrial production has fallen to a three year low and probably will decline further, the Federal Reserve Board said today.

The Board's seasonally adjusted index of production fell five points in May to 174 percent of the 1935-39 average. This was the lowest level since February 1946. Board experts anticipate a similar decline when the June index is compiled. The index in February 1946 hit a postwar low of 151 as a result of the prolonged General Motors strike. The May drop, the board noted, reflected primarily the cuts in activities in the iron and steel industries and non-ferrous metals industries.

CUBAN RAW SUGAR TO U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 27 (UPA).

The Agriculture Department on Monday raised by 285,000 short tons the amount of raw sugar Cuba can sell in the United States this year.

This is a boost of twelve percent in the Cuban quota and was made when the Agriculture Department found out that other sugar producing countries would fall short of their allocations.

IMPORT CONTROLS ON FATS AND OILS TO CONTINUE

WASHINGTON, June 27 (UPA).

The Senate Banking Sub-Committee approved by a three to one vote legislation to extend for one year import controls on fats and oils including butter and rice and rice products.

The present controls expire on Friday.

DROP IN BRITISH WHISKEY EXPORTS TO U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 27 (UPA).

An analysis of Commerce Department trade figures showed a sharp drop in British whiskley exports to the United States in the January-April period of this year compared to a similar period in 1948.

Exports of bottled whiskley for the period were down from 2,299,000 tax gallons to 1,923,000.

Similarly, Canadian bottled whiskley exports to the United States were down from 1,436,000 tax gallons to 1,340,000.

Meanwhile, shipments of Puerto Rican rum to the United States mainland rose from 95,606 proof gallons in January-April, 1948, to 379,500 gallons in January-April this year—the only significant increase in distilled spirits imports into the U.S.

BRITAIN FACES GRAVE CRISIS

Commonwealth Ministers Called To London

ECONOMIC 'DUNKIRK' CAUSES WORLDWIDE CONCERN

LONDON, June 27 (PTI-Reuter):

COMMONWEALTH Finance Ministers have been called to a conference in London to try and find some way of checking the drain on gold and dollar reserves.

Political quarters, reporting this sudden move in Britain's mounting financial crisis, said the invitations had been accepted and the conference would probably take place on July 8.

Invitations were sent to Australia, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

Other crisis news reported today was:

WASHINGTON: Mr. John W. Snyder, United States Secretary to the Treasury, is expected to leave for Europe on Friday for a trip officially described as a tour of American treasury offices in Europe.

According to one British official here pressure for devaluation of the sterling has come from "all sorts of angles", but the extent of official American interest is hard to guage.

WASHINGTON: Mr. Snyder is certain to discuss the subject during his tour when "as a matter of courtesy" he will see the Finance Ministers in the countries he visits.

Exploratory talks here have led to the belief in responsible American circles that devaluation is not the universal panacea it was considered to be a few weeks ago.

Serious investigation has pointed out some of the less attractive aspects of such a move.

Some American quarters believe that dislocation of trade within the streling area—the greatest multilateral trading area in the world—might be too big a price to pay for the momentary shot in the arm that devaluation would give British exports.

More than usual interest now centres in the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund here in September. The fund must give its approval before any change in exchange rates can come into effect.

economic problem was:

PARIS: French Government and financial circles view the outlook for Britain's currency with some anxiety.

Devaluation of sterling at present is regarded here as premature and American pressure as inopportune.

CANBERRA: Australia views the question of depreciation of sterling as purely a matter for Britain, a Commonwealth spokesman said. He added, however, that Australia felt that sterling depreciation was unnecessary at the present stage.

OTTAWA: Canadian reaction was summed up in a week-end speech by Finance Minister, Douglas Abbott, commenting on the suggestion from some quarters for devaluation of the Canadian dollar.

"I do not propose to say what, if anything, other countries should do about their currencies", he said. "That is a question for the government and peoples of those countries and it is not one that can be decided in any slapdash manner".

POLITICAL CRISIS

LONDON, June 27 (UPA): Britain faces an economic and perhaps a political crisis, writes James McGlincy UPA Staff Correspondent.

As the newspapers drove nome to Britons the sad news that the nation is in danger of going broke, these were today's developments:

Firstly, a worried Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, called in American Aid Ambassador W. Averell Harriman for an unscheduled conference.

SECONDLY, THE STOCK MARKET SAGGED ALARMINGLY IN A DAY OF FRIGHTENED SELLING.

Britain's gold and dollar reserves were fading fast. Financial quarters said that the next figure to be published early in July might be alarming enough to set off a panic. At the same time, because her prices are high and buyers are waiting hopefully for the pound to be devalued. Britain's dollar earnings had fallen off sharply and against this background Cripps found himself square in the middle of the worst split in the short history of the European Recovery Programme.

The crux of the problem is the adverse balance of trade between various European countries themselves. Belgium, for example, sells Britain more than she buys from her and ends up with surplus pound sterling.

Belgium, with United States support, wants to alter its payments agreement with Britain under the ERP so that sterling could be used outside Britain or the sterling area. Cripps refused this on ground that it would mean a drain on Britain's meagre dollar supply.

Cripps and Harriman debated the issue for an hour today at the Treasury. Afterwards Harriman said he still hoped that there could be some agreement before the issue was thrashed out by Marshall Plan nations in Paris on Wednesday.

BRITAIN WARNED

Financial experts, however, thought that Cripps would stick to his guns both on the intra-European payments

The Opposition press warned that Britain faced an "economic Dunkirk"

Meanwhile, pessimistic stories about Britain's financial plight had a deeply distressing effect on the stock market. Even small investors unloaded giltedged shares, the backbone of their capital reserves. Some Government stocks dropped four and five dollars. Over all losses were estimated in millions.

The Government's answer, indicated by the speech of Sir Hartley Shawcross, Attorney General, made in New York over the week-end, might be even more austerity. By cutting its exports Britain could save dollars. But political experts said that the Socialist government would have to get a new mandate from the people to make their life any grimmer here.

Cabinet Minister Hugh Dalton in a week-end speech said that the general elections "might come sooner than later".

Meanwhile, it was learned that the Finance Ministers of Commonwealth nations have been invited to London to discuss the serious gold and dollar situation. It was expected that they would meet here in about two weeks. Cripps, it was believed, will present a scheme for drastically reducing imports to save dollars and will ask Commonwealth members to do likewise.

DISPLAYING INDIAN PRODUCTS ABROAD

Show Rooms To Be Opened

NEW DELHI, June 28. (PTI): Permanent show rooms displaying Indian manufactured articles, including cottage industry products, will be opened at suitable centres in North and South America as well as on the continent of Europe. New York is one of the places chosen for this purpose.

The Government of India are stated to be planning to open emporiums similar to the Central Emporium of Cottage Industry Products, now in Delhi, at suitable places abroad. The Trade Commissioners will be in charge of the emporiums.

The Government of India have about 25 trade offices abroad.

COMMUNIST DETENUS IN W. BENGAL

Condition Satisfactory

CALCUTTA, June 28. (PTI): The two-week-old hunger-strike of Communist prisoners in various jails of West Bengal is still continuing.

The West Bengal Government in a press note to-day contradicted reports appearing in a section of the press and rumours that the condition of some of the prisoners was serious or alarming.

RELEASED PRISONER ROBS JAIL

NEW DELHI, June 28. (PTI): A jail bird who immediately after his release committed a theft in the jail itself was to-day awarded three years' rigorous imprisonment by a Delhi Magistrate.

The man who has been to jail several times for committing thefts, was alleged to have stolen 20 seers of gram from the jail premises immediately after his release.

AGRARIAN TROUBLE IN RAJASTHAN

JAIPUR, June 28. (PTI): The Rajasthan Union Government will shortly declare some villages in Udaipurwati Tehsil, about 100 miles from Jaipur, as "disturbed areas" owing to strained relations between Jats (cultivators) and Rajput Bhomias (landowners), it is learnt.

It appears that the landowners have been trying to eject the kisans with the intention of cultivating the land themselves. The Jats on the other hand have been cultivating the land by force, since the rains have set in.

A large number of landowners are reported to have been assembling at various villages in Udaipurwati District to resist the cultivators attempts to cultivate the land.

FAMOUS MOUNTAINEER DEAD

LONDON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter). The death of Mr. Frank Smythe, the author and mountaineer who was a member of the International expedition which attempted the ascent of Kanchanjanga in 1930 was announced here today. He was 48 years old.

He also carried out explorations round the source of the river Ganges and undertook expeditions in the Himalayas.

SURAT FARMERS ANXIOUS

SURAT, June 28 (PTI).—Delay in the setting in of the monsoon is causing great anxiety to the farmers of Surat.

Surat generally receives the first rains towards the middle of June and by the end of the month sowing operations get into full swing.

This year, early in the second week of June, there was a heavy downpour. A number of farmers believing the monsoon had set in had sown kharif crops, but the seedlings are now dying.

BRITAIN LOSES IN GOLD HEAVILY

Balance Of Payment Upset

It is not only in Britain's payments to the dollar area that the balance of payments has recently deteriorated. Losses of gold have also been sustained to three countries within the OEEC group and to Persia, whose sterling is in a privileged category, writes London "Economist".

The extent of recent gold losses to OEEC countries was recently revealed by the Economic Secretary to the Treasury in answer to a Parliamentary question.

He gave the details: In the eight months in question gold paid to Belgium amounted to £12,183,000, while Switzerland took £5,575,000. and the Bizone £4,663,000. Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of this statement is its disclosure of a gold loss to the Bizone, since Britain granted the Bizone drawing rights equivalent to no less than $46,500,000 under the European Payments Scheme.

FALSE ESTIMATES

The fact that so much gold should have been lost to this destination shows how false were the estimates on which the contributions and drawing rights exchanged under the scheme were established. The rate at which gold losses have been suffered to Beglium is disquieting, particularly if account be taken of the fact that Britain had by the end of May exhausted the whole of its $30 million drawing rights on Belgium.

LOSSES TO SWITZERLAND

The loss of gold to Switzerland is also causing some anxiety in official quarters in London. The losses are much in excess of the figures contemplated by the British negotiators in the course of the Anglo-Swiss discussions of last February. The main miscalculation appears to have been in the matter of British exports to Switzerland, which are failing by a substantial margin to reach the anticipated level. The Swiss market is becoming saturated with cars and other consumer goods on which hopes of expanding British exports had been placed.

The competition from other countries, including Germany, has revived strongly.

BELGIUM RESENTS BRITISH POLICY

Vehement opposition to the British policy of carrying on all Marshall Plan trade of the inter-European variety in terms of sterling, was voiced by M. Ameye, Economic Advisor of the Banque de Bruxelles, Belgium, at a meeting of the Export Manager's Club of New York last week. He added that such a plan can be the opening wedge for making a sterling bloc of the Western European nations.

For the economic recovery of Europe the main problems to be tackled, M. Ameye said, were the present chaotic state of currency exchange and trade barriers in Europe. Belgium, he said is now and has always been an advocate and practitioner of free multilateral trade and ready currency convertibility.

STERLING AT DISCOUNT IN FRANCE

The British sterling pound is at a discount today in France. In the Paris black market it fell last week to the lowest rate quoted since the beginning of the year. The pound was exchanged at about 1,010 francs. This works out to the cross rate of 2.92 dollars for the pound on the black market when the official cross rate is 4.03 dollars. This rate is 86 francs lower than the official rate for the franc, which has been set around 1,096 francs on the free market since October, 1948.

The French feel that a devaluation is inevitable sooner or later as the pound has been unquestionably overvaluated. There has been also a sharp fall in British exports to dollar zone countries in May.

AFGHAN APPEAL FOR BRITISH SUPPORT

Pakistan's Protest

LONDON, June 28 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Pakistan High Commissioner in London, called on Mr. Ernest Bevin at the Foreign Office this morning to make strong representations against Afghanistan's appeal for British support in the Afghan-Pakistan frontier dispute.

Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, was also present.

Last week, Mr. Rahimtoola described as "unwarrantable interference in the internal affairs of Pakistan" the appeal made by the Afghan Ambassdor in London on June 20 to Sir Roger Makins, Deputy Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, for British support in the dispute with Pakistan.

Though Britain's attitude to the matter is likely to be that the dispute must now be settled directly between Kabul and Karachi, both sides are showing a tendency to appeal to Britain for an opinion in view of the long experience of the local situation acquired by British Administrators in British India.

Tourists In Kashmir

SRINAGAR, June 28. (PTI): About 1,200 tourists have so far arrived in Srinagar and advance booking by many others has already been made for the season, it is learnt.

The State Government has reopened the Gold Course at Gulmarg for the benefit of tourists.

EASING THE THREAT OF "DOLLAR DISASTER"

Stafford Cripps' Efforts

E. R. P. AND STERLING CONVERTIBILITY

LONDON, (By Radio).

MANY London papers' headlines carry on from Sunday's news of the stand taken by Sir Stafford Cripps on "the dollar drain question". Sir Stafford is reporting to the Cabinet on the attitude to be adopted when he discusses intra-European payments in Paris on Wednesday with Mr. Harriman and members of the O.E.E.C.

The "News Chronicle" suggests that it now seems Sir Stafford may get American agreement to some of his proposals for easing the threat of "dollar disaster" to Britain.

BRIDGING THE GAP

The "Daily Telegraph" opens by referring to the tendency of the dollar gap to widen, and says: "It is inevitable that the Chancellor of the Exchequer should oppose any proposals whose effect would be to release additional sterling for conversion into dollars. When this has been said, however, it is necessary to look more closely at the dispute which crystallised last Thursday in Brussels and which will be taken up on Wednesday in Paris when the O.E.E.C. General Council meets.

"It must be seen not only in relation to the sterling area's dollar difficulties but to the accepted goal of the European Recovery Programme. This is twofold — to achieve solvency in Western Europe and, as part of that process, to integrate the economies of E.R.P. countries so that multilateral trade again becomes possible.

"The intra-European payments scheme was designed to further the latter objective: under it sterling was made available to countries like France whose trade balance with this country was in deficit, and the British Treasury received 'conditional' E.R.P. dollar aid to cover the transaction. In the event, however, the French only used a portion of the sterling they received under the intra-European payments scheme to make purchases here because they claim that prices are too high. They want, in future, to be able to spend their sterling in, for instance, Belgium, which would mean that in effect it became redeemable in gold or dollars. Naturally, the Belgians support them in this endeavour, so do the Americans, who are convinced that increased competition for markets will bring prices down and stimulate greater efficiency in production".

The leader goes on to emphasise the necessity for Britain to hold her own in terms of price and quality in the world market, and enumerates the requirements for victory — energy, enterprise and daring.

CONSTRUCTIVE ACTION

While the "News Chronicle" writes of "angry little winds" from Brussels, the main part of the leader is explanatory in tone.

Having referred to convertibility into dollars (which would mean heavy drawings on our reserves) the leader goes on: "Sir Stafford has refused to take this risk. He has a strong case although, indeed, he ought to have explained that this policy is not ours by choice. It has been forced upon us because our dollar gap is growing.

"Another aspect of this affair is that we in Britain are being confronted once again by the stark fact that we are living beyond our means. We are not producing cheaply enough to pay our way abroad. This unpleasant truth imposes on us the necessity and duty for some constructive action. Britain is prepared to relax the trading restrictions with soft currency countries, but if it is made a condition by our neighbours that the pound must be convertible into dollars, the scheme will fail and British economy will be forced in upon itself.

"How this is to be avoided no one yet knows, but it is for our statesmen to find out. All we know with certainty is that no country is going to solve the problem in isolation. We know this in our rational moments, and it is in our rational moments that we are going to triumph over difficulties.

CO-OPERATIVE EFFORT

"For two years now we have been committed to co-operative effort. It is by co-operative effort that we have restored the productive machine of Western Europe. Honour, wisdom and expediency demand that we do not desert this principle now. It may be that the pound and other European currencies will have to be devalued. It may be that in the first place convertibility will have to be limited to soft currencies. It may be that the American people will be called upon for another gigantic contribution, such as the underwriting of European currency convertibility at new values.

"Decisions like this will never be taken unless there is complete confidence between the peoples involved. One certain road to disaster is to permit or provoke anything like a breach between Great Britain and American. If this is avoided we can cope with the storm".

Zamindari Abolition, "Not A Wise Step"

NAGPUR, June 28. (UPI): Mr. Ratanchand Hirachand, a prominent industrial magnate of Bombay, who had come here to preside over the first annual session of the C.P. and Berar electrical conference, addressing a press conference said he was of opinion that the abolition of zamindari would defeat its own purpose in the sense that it would lead to fragmentation of land when the consolidation of land was the need of the hour to ensure large-scale farming.

INDIAN FISCAL COMMISSION

Plans To Compile Statistical Data

NEW DELHI, June 28 (U.P.I.): The work of the Fiscal Commission is proceeding apace according to schedule, it is gathered. The Commission's Secretariat is at present engaged in carrying on investigations into the many specific issues raised in its questionnaire.

In this connection, Mr. D. L. Mazumdar, I.C.S., member Secretary of the Fiscal Commission, is expected to proceed to Calcutta on July 2 to confer with the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics on the best means of collecting and compiling the statistical data which will be required by the Commission for its investigations and which are not available in the Government of India Secretariat.

A preliminary review of the existing material already completed by the Commission's Secretariat seems to indicate that it may be necessary to set up a small 'research cell' in the office of the Director-General of Commercial Inteligence and Satatistics to compile the special type of statistical information and data that the Fiscal Commission will require.

A number of suggestions are understood to have been received by the Fiscal Commission Secretariat from trade and commercial circles in different parts of the country requesting the Commission to frame its final recommendations on the pattern of the Australia and Canada which have made remarkable progress in industrial development during the last 10 years.

UNDERGROUND RLY FOR CALCUTTA

Boring Operations Satisfactory

CALCUTTA, June 28 (PTI).—French engineers, now on a soil survey of Calcutta in connection with the city's proposed underground railways, have completed the designing of lines and selection of station sites.

Announcing this at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Calcutta Rotary Club today, the engineer in charge of operations, Mon. P. G. A. Picarel said that the result of the boring operations were more comforting than they had feared earlier in such a deltaic area like Calcutta.

He said that the underground railway for Calcutta would be planned on the model of the Paris subway. But Calcutta would have the advantage of all the newest and latest equipments in its construction. The survey which they had started two months ago would take another four months to complete.

Pondicherry Disturbances Deplored

MADRAS, June 28 (UPI): Dr. P. Subbarayan, former Home Minister, Madras Government, has, in a statement to the press has condemned the disturbances that occurred at Pondicherry on June 26 on the occasion of the observance of the "Chandernagore Day".

Dr. Subbarayan recalls the disturbances that occurred in Karaikal a year ago when he visited the place at the time of the municipal elections and says: "These happenings show clearly that when arguments fail, hooligan tactics are resorted to. It is very regrettable to note that even the national flag was trampled upon. I am glad that the Commissioner of French India has agreed to have a judicial enquiry into the incidents The French authorities should deem it their business to preserve order in these territories in the interests of Franco-Indian amity. Nothing but harm can come out of chaos."

SMALLPOX IN SAURASHTRA

RAJKOT, June 28 (PTI).—Eighteen cases of smallpox out of which three proved fatal, were reported from various parts of Saurashtra during the week ended June 18.

Fifty-two attacks and 20 deaths were reported during the previous week.

PAKISTAN DEMOCRACY!

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, June 28.—The Senate of the Sind University at its last meeting here is reported to have decided that religious teaching, particularly that of Islam, be made compulsory in all the schools and colleges affiliated to it.

This means that non-Muslim students will also be compelled to learn the teachings of Islam while studying in schools and colleges of Sind, since all these are now affiliated to the Sind University.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DISPOSALS

AUCTION SALES

1. PLACE OF AUCTION: Raipur (C.P.) E.S.D.
DATE AND TIME: 13th, 14th and 15th July 1949 at 8 A.M. (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).
STORES: Surplus Sodium Bichromate; Belting Flat; Canvas, Leather of sizes; Handle chest 6", Drills diamond pointed taper shank; Square of sizes; Augers earth 16" with extension blades; Blow lamps; Smithy tools; Valves cable electric; Electrical equipments; Telephone parts; Nails; Tube Wells and Welders equipments; Hinges 18"—2614 Nos.; Hoses water of sizes 1000 Nos.; Jointing Mill board and asbestos; Compound fixing glass substitute; Cordage Manilla Hawdam laid 7'x6"x10/3x24 G 50 bundles; Valve reflex; valve steam, etc., Washer diamond curved Galvd. 5/16"; Block Pulley snatched cordage of sizes; Paints of colour; Heaters Betumnem; Hose water delivery 1" over 1 lakh running ft.; stoves with brackets 3'x12½" sets 2922; Gang Boards 68 Nos.; Ribbons 16 Nos. Thimble Heart of sizes Nos 33505, etc., etc.
N.B.—Balance payment to be made within 3 days of auction and removal of stores by end of July, 1949.
2. PLACE OF AUCTION: Kanpur, Central Ordnance Depot
DATE AND TIME: 18/19th July 1949 (Monday and Tuesday) at 9 A.M.
STORES: SURPLUS Nets Bush O.G.—19129 Nos. Sheets Bakery Cotton 1100 Nos; Tanks Canvas Portable and S. Type Bodies; Hats Padded Gorkha; Caps F. S. Kh.; Stocking woollen white; Shirts Bush Mazree; Chaguls universal; Stretchers field body spreader; Stretchers awning Poles; Covers Cap; Boot Rubber thigh; Heels Rubber for boots-7265 Prs.; Paltavas-4534 prs.; Shoes Donkey; Cooker oil components; Stove portable; Lotahs; Dishes; Cups; Squeeges; Levers 12 ft., weights Brass and ovens field, etc., etc.
3. PLACE OF AUCTION: Cheoki, Vehicles Depot.
DATE AND TIME: 20-7-49 (Wednesday) at 8 A.M.
STORES: Surplus: About 300 Nos. M.T. 3 ton; 30 Cwts. and 15 Cwts.; Trucks and Lorries; Trailors and Motor cycles, etc.
4. PLACE OF AUCTION: Delhi Cantt. Vehicles Depot.
DATE & TIME: 25/26th July, 1949 (Monday and Tuesday) at 9 A.M.
STORES: Surplus: About 300 surplus vehicles Chevrolet; Ford; Studebaker; Thornycraft; Transport Trucks; Winche Mounted vehicles; Indian Royal Enfield; Norton; Aerial; B.S.A. Motor Cycles and Numerious Trailors.

AUCTIONEERS
1. M/s. Gopichand & Sons, Thari Bazar, Banares, will conduct auction No. 1.
2. M/s. Sohan Lal & Sons, The Mall; Kanpur will conduct auction No. 2.
3. M/s. B. N. Ramjidas & Co. 278, Esplanade Delhi, will conduct auction No. 3.
4. M/s. Uma & Co., Sukhanand Street, Dariba Kalan, Delhi.

IMPORTANT:
1. Conditions of sale will be announced at the time of auction.
2. Any stores may be held back from auction.
3. Octroi/Terminal tax where in force is payable by purchasers.
4. The stores can be viewed 2 days before the date of auction at the depots concerned.

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5 MORE 'TEMPESTS' FOR R. I. A. F.

Arrival At Delhi Airport

NEW DELHI, June 28 (P.T.I.).

FIVE Tempest aircraft, new additions to the Royal Indian Air Force, touched down at Delhi's Palam aerodrome today, flown from Britain by Indian air force pilots.

This is the first time that service aircraft have been flown from Britain to this country by Indian pilots.

A sixth Tempest, which was also due to arrive here today, was held up at Karachi owing to engine trouble.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, Commander-in-Chief of the R.I.A.F. and Air Force Vice Marshal S. Mukerjee, Deputy Commander of the R.I.A.F. were at the aerodrome to welcome the pilots.

Air Marshal Elmhirst said that the flight was a land-mark in the history of the R.I.A.F. It proved that Indian pilots were quite capable of handling aircraft all the way from the United Kingdom to India and that India had not to depend on British pilots, he added.

The Tempests which are single-engined, single-seater fighters, took off from Langley, the Hawkers Company airfield in Britain on June 19. Though the journey took nine days to be completed, the actual flying time was only about 17 hours, the average speed being three hundred miles an hour. There were halts at Istres (France), Malta, raden, Nicoshia, Habbaniya, Shaita, Shejah and Karachi. The aircrft flew mostly over the sea and encountered, what a pilot described as "good and very bad" weather.

An R.I.A.F. Dakota, manned by Indian crew, accompanied the Tempests.

PILOTS

The five pilots who arrived today were: Group Captain Ranjan Datt, (leader), Sq. Leader E. D. Masilamani Fl/Lt. G. K. John, Flying Officer N. K. Lalkaka and Flying Officer S. R. Bose. Sq. Leader K. M. David piloted the plane which has been held up in Karachi.

The youngest of the six pilots, 24-year old Flying Officer S. R. Bose described the journey as "very thrilling and enjoyable". Sq. Leader Dutt said that they flew the aircraft without the navigational aids which were found in multi-engined aircraft.

At Karachi the pilots were the guests of the Royal Pakistan Air Force. Air Vice Marshal Aicherley, Commander-in-Chief R.P.A.F. was present at Mauripur aerodrome when the Tempests landed there.

DUTCH EVACUATION FROM JOGJAKARTA

Completion By June End

BATAVIA, June 28 (PTI-Reuter): Evacuation of Dutch forces from Jogjakarta, Central Java, is "proceeding smoothly", and according to schedule, and is expected to be completed by the end of June, the United Nations Commission announced officially today.

Dutch and the Indonesian Republic agreed on June 22 that Dutch forces should evacuate Jogjakarta, former Republican capital, allowing the Republican Administration to be restored in Jogjakarta Residency as a first step to transferring sovereignty to a proposed United States of Indonesia by the year end.

The United Nations Commission's aircraft is to fly between Batavia and Jogjakarta "to facilitate transport of interested parties" while the commercial air service is discontinued.

Educationists Confer At Rajkot

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, June 28: The leading educationists of the Bombay Province and Saurashtra conferred at Rajkot yesterday on the ways and means of bringing about a reorientation of education in lively appreciation of the fact that India was at the parting of the ways and the conditions were favourable for a new crystallisation of ideas about education.

T. K. Shahani, the newly appointed Director of Public Instructions in Saurashtra exhorted the teachers to play their part in moulding the character of the rising generation and train the child-mind to sport into fresh varieties.

WORLD SCHOLARS GATHER FOR GOETHE FESTIVAL

ASPEN, (Colorado), June 27: A group of the world's most distinguished scholars, men of letters, and leaders of contemporary thought is gathering this week in the village of Aspen, Colorado, high in the American Rockey Mountains, for the International Goethe Bicentennial Celebration and Music Festival.

The small mountain village will be the cultural focal point of the United States as the world's foremost philosophers meet to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and to reinterpret the basic concepts of his philosophy in relation to contemporary problems.

The anniversary of Goethe's birth is being observed in nation-wide celebrations and will be climaxed by the international meetings in Colorado. During the 20-day meeting, begining today, some 4,000 visitors are expected to fill the small resort town and neighbouring communities.

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, famed philosopher-doctor- musician-author from French Equatorial Africa, will present the main address, "Goethe: His Personality and His Works".

MADRAS SCHOLAR TO SPEAK

Dr. T.M. Mahadevan, head of the department of philosophy at the University of Madras, is one of the world scholars who will speak at the convocation. Mahadevan, former secretary of the Indian Philosophical Congress, is now in the United States following completion of a series of lectures at Cornell University on "Basic Ideas of Indian Thought." At Aspen he will address the international meeting on "Western and Eastern Thought."

The Goethe Foundation, a non-profit American co-operation, was organised in the fall of 1947 to mark the anniversary of the birth of Goethe. He was born August 28, 1749, and died March 22, 1832. Former President Herbert Hoover is honorary chairman of the foundation's Board of Directors.

The foundation says Goethe was one of the great minds in the culture of the world, and viewed man and society with a faith in the ability of all men to live a constructive personal and group life in which liberty of the individual could be reconciled with his service to society.

The foundation states: "There is an urgent need today to reach a community of basic understanding if the people of America and other nations are to strengthen their will for decency, ethical conduct, and morality in a modern world."

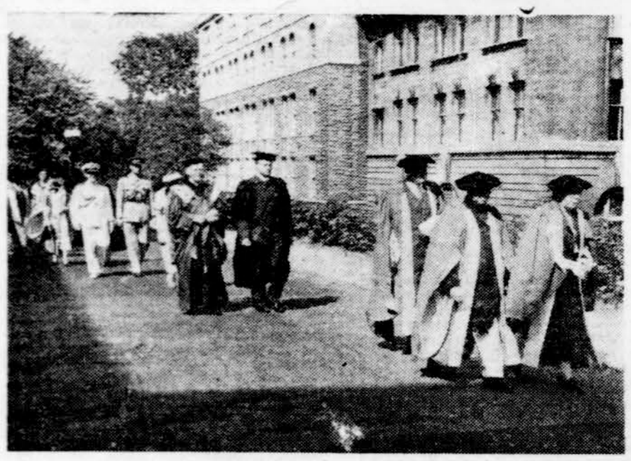
OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Others taking part in the convocation include: Jose Ortega Y. Gasset described as "Spain's greatest philosopher;" Robert H. Hutchins, chancellor of Chicago University and a member of the Board of Directors of the Goethe Foundation; Geraldus van Der Leeuw, the Netherlands former minister of education; Halvandsn Koht, Norway, former foreign minister; Thorton Wilder, United States, Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist and playwright; Stephen Spender, Great Britain, poet and Goethe translator; William E. Hooking, United States professor emeritus of philosophy, Harvard University; Ernest Robert Curtius, Germany, professor of Romance languages, University of Bonn; and Jean Canu, France, professor of French culture, Sorbonne.

The lecture sessions and concerts at Aspen will be presented in a newly-constructed amphitheatre. The music festival features sunset concerts by the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Dimitri Mitropoulos. Soloists will include pianist Artur Rubinstein, violinists Naran Milstein and Erica Morini, cellist Gregos Piatigorsky, and soprano Dorothy Maynor.

Aspen's residents, from the mayor to school children, have co-operated to have their own town in readiness for the intellectual gathering. Aspen was chosen for the celebration because it is removed from urban distractions and accessible to both coasts of America.—USIS.

INDIAN SCHOLAR HONOURED BY MCGILL UNIVERSITY



At a special convocation of McGill University, Montreal (Canada), on June 17, Professor Pramathanath N. Banerjee, Vice Chancellor of the University of Calcutta and India's delegate to the Commonwealth University Conference, received an honorary LL. D. degree. The High Commissioner for India in Canada, Sardar Hardit Singh Malik, is shown (top left) among the guests attending the special convocation. Also in the picture are Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Banerjee and their son, and Miss Banerjee.

Shown in the top right picture is Associate Chief Justice O. S. Tyndale, Cancellor of McGill, conferring the degree on Prof. Banerjee. T. H. Matthews, University Registrar, is on the right. Also honoured by McGill were two other outstanding Vice Chancellors of Commonwealth Universities. Shown at left are Dr. Lillian Penson, Vice Chancellor of the University of London, Prof. Banerjee, and Prof. D. B. Copland, Vice Chancellor of the Australian National University, as they led the procession across the McGill Campus. (Canada Wide photos).

PLANNING A PEDIGREE COW

YOUNG HEIFER

SINCE primitive days animals have played a great part in meeting the needs of man. The nomadic man met all his needs from the flock, its meat and milk as his food, its fur as his clothes, and even sometimes its bones as his weapons.

But then, to expect the best out of the animals, the latter also needs in turn proper and adequate food, proper maintenance, and care during sickness. If the land is to be ploughed properly, the bullocks should be strong and healthy. If fresh milk is required for the child, the mother cow—so aptly venerated in India but so poorly looked after from a practical point of view—should be properly treated, should have enough food to eat, enough concentrates to provide for the necessary nutrition and adequate attention when she is sick or in a delicate state of health.

SAHIWAL BREED

Although India possesses the largest cattle population of the world the milk production in the country is extremely low. The average daily consumption of milk per man in India is 5 ozs. as against 41 ozs. in the U. K. and 36 ozs. in U. S. A. In the cattle division of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, experiments on the improvement of Sahiwal breed of Cattle—a milch breed—have been undertaken for a long time and some striking results obtained.

The experiments on the Sahiwal breed are directed towards (1) increasing the milk yield; (2) early maturity of cows; (3) reduction in the dry period and (4) production of good breeding bulls. Some of the interesting results obtained through careful management and controlled feeding are:—

The increase in milk yield recorded has increased from 10.5 lbs. in 1914 to 20.9 lbs. in 1947;

The age of calving has been reduced from 41 months in 1904 to 29 1/2 months in 1947;

The dry period of the cows has been reduced from 208 days in 1938 to 133 days in 1947.

Besides, a large number of good breeding bulls has been produced and sold to provinces and States. The milk yielding capacity has been substantially improved as compared with the normal cow. A cow kept under controlled condition in this Diary produces as much milk as 10 village cows. The consequent economy in fodder is remarkable as while the pedigree cow in the Institute requires 13 lbs. of dry fodder and 8 lbs. of concentrates, the food requirements of 10 village cows are at least 120 lbs. of dry fodder and 8 lbs. of concentrates.

TAMILI, one of the cows in the Institute has yielded 13,004 lbs. of milk in a lactation period of 306 days which works out at 42.5 lbs. or roughly, more than 1/2 maund of milk per day. India, however, has still to make up a large leeway as this result, though satisfactory, is less as compared with the maximum yield in some other countries.

GROWTH RATE OF HEIFERS

The growth rate of heifers is studied at the Institute and steps are taken to check any deficiency or deformity as soon as they are noticed. A healthy heifer in the Institute is expected to grow at the rate of 1 lb. every day up to the age of six months and at the time of mating, which is not permitted before she is one and a half years old, she should weigh at least 600 lbs. If she does not show these results, expert veterinarians take measures to correct the deficiency.

Pedigree cows and bulls bred under controlled conditions in the Institute are supplied to provincial governments to serve as nucleus stock in experimental cattle farms. Some of the animals are also occasionally sold to the public, although all cows above certain standards are usually given to Provincial Governments and cattle farms.

FODDER REQUIREMENTS

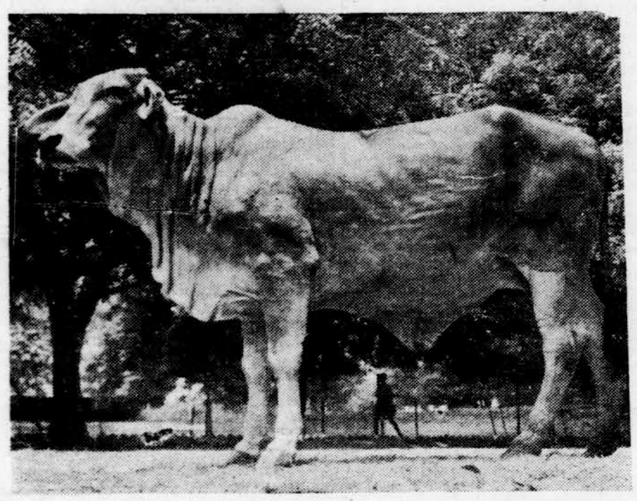
Provision of good food to the cattle is an important requisite for maintaining their efficiency as well as their productive capacity. India's fodder resources are limited while the cattle population is very large. The result is that most of the cattle are undernourished except probably the few owned by wealthy people.

The Institute is doing considerable research work for improving indigenous grasses and in introducing some of the foreign fodder plants in India. A grass and legume nursery has been established in the Institute which has collected sixty different species of grass, both indigenous and exotic. There are besides 33 legumes. A species of grass from Madras Presidency —botanically called 'Panicum repens'— on which research is progressing, promises to produce good results. Preliminary investigation has shown that its protein content is very high. Investigations are in progress to study how grasses and legumes could be associated in the cropping system, with a view to ensuring a perennial supply of fodder. The Provincial Governments have been supplied with names and specimens of 15 different types of grasses and legumes to try them in their areas as they have shown promise both as good fodder as well as for soil conservation.

KUDZU VINE

An interesting experiment is being carried out at the Institute on the possibilities of cultivation of Kudzu Vine, a climbing plant which is used extensively in the U.S.A. as fodder as well as for soil conservation. The fodder growing capacity of this plant is great; it produces as much as 500 mds. of fodder per acre. A variety of this plant is also found in India in the Khasi Hills in Assam.

If successfully introduced, it is likely to relieve to a great extent fodder shortage in the country. One species of this plant which was sown at the Institute two years ago has spread rapidly to cover a circular area of 1,400 sq. feet. The plant is evergreen, needs no irrigation and is perennial. Its soil holding capacity is very great. The roots which go down deep hold the soil in its numerous roots like an octopus, so that Kudzu Vine, if cultivated on the hill slopes or where soil is loose should also serve as a great preventive to erosion.



One of the best heifers at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi. Aged 2 years and 4 months, she weighs 812 lbs. against a normal weight not exceeding 200 lbs. of an average village heifer. PIB.

SANTANAM TO VISIT GUJERAT

Inspection Of New Railway Projects

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, June 28: Mr. Santaram, Deputy Railway Minister, Government of India is scheduled to visit Gujerat, Saurashtra and Cutch from July 4 to July 10, accompanied by Mr. Kanaiyalal Desai, President of the Gujerat Provincial Congress Committee and its Vice-President, Mr. Khandubhai Desai.

Mr. Santaram will examine the pros and cons of laying down a railway line between Vaso and Dholka instead of from Sojitra to Dholka. Pending his decision, the construction of the previously proposed Sojitra-Dholka railway to short-circuit the distance between Saroda and its greatly improved Okha Port on the Kathiawar Coast has been suspended.

Mr. Santanam will spend four days in Saurashtra and Cutch to acquire first-hand knowledge about the organisation and working of the Saurashtra Railway.

He will also examine the project of deflecting the railway line at some distance from the Kotharia station, so as to circumambulate the Dharmendrasinhji College Colony and the race-course en route to the Rajkot junction station.

In Kutch, Mr. Santanam's preoccupations are likely to be in connection with the general speed-up of the Kandla-Deesa railway, as an integral part of the Kandla Port Development project.

Agricultural Development Of Cutch

NEW DELHI, June 28 (PTI): The Ministry of Agriculture have deputed an expert to survey and report on the agricultural development of Cutch.

Cutch, whose administration was taken over last year by the Government of India, suffered considerably during the last few months on account of severe draught. Acute scarcity of food and fodder prevailed in the State and the Government of India took special measures to rush supplies.

MIXED GRILL

By Grumbler

GHOSTS are in the news. There was a time when these ethereal spirits had their habitation in remote, lonely, rural areas—in a crumbling, forgotten house, a ruined well choked with weeds, a decaying monument covered over with will creepers or some equally original nook. Their activities too were confined to hysterical, childless women or old ill-treated widows. It was an act of courage when they cast their spell or entered the spirit of some hardy but illiterate peasant.

Apparently, freedom has conferred its benefits on the ghosts too. They are displaying an unwonted spirit of adventure and activity. Only a few weeks ago it was reported from Cuttack that a ghost had taken possession of the house into which Mr. Harekrishna Mehtab, the Premier of Orissa, was to move, in the new capital—Bubhaneswar. The doughty Premier hurled public defiance at the ghost, announced at a press conference that he would dare its wiles and move into the house. How the ghost has reacted to this open challenge is not yet known. Perhaps it bides its time.

Meanwhile report comes of the activities of a black ghost which specialised in kidnapping children in the tea gardens of Upper Assam. According to the workers, this ghost is a freak, because it is not a free spirit like others, but is under the control of the 'babus' of the estate. The workers asked the "babus" to drive away the ghost but the clever 'babus' instead of doing what they were bidden to do, tried to argue that there was no ghost. They were beaten up for their trouble and taken to hospital. And presumably, the black ghost continues to roam the tea gardens indulging in its usual nefarious activities.

Most interesting of all is the ghost that is reported to have disturbed the sleeping peace of New Delhi's civil secretariat, last week. This was its second visitation. A few months ago it broke into the air conditioned room of the Minister for Works, Mines and Power, lolled on the Minister's sofa, smoked a few beedies and walked away with small change.

When he appeared again, he broke into a series of rooms, showing a particular predilection to the rooms of honourable ministers, which has led one commentator to suggest that the visitor may have been the disembodied spirit of the Indian tax payer.

My imagination being somewhat of the earth earthy, I figure the Goblin as little junior, a hungry sepoy, who walked into the room of the Minister for Food and Agriculture and made a sumptuous repast out of the left overs of the Honourable Minister's Gargantuan lunch. If anyone else had the ability to walk through locked doors, he would no doubt have found the boy sitting in the minister's cushioned chair, legs stretched on table, puffing at his beedi after the arduous labours of consuming what must have been, for him, a rare feast.

POLICEMAN'S OPINION ON DEATH PENALTY

Royal Commission's Questionnaire

LONDON, June 28 (UPI): Every London policeman is being invited to give his opinion on whether the death penalty should stand.

A questionnaire has been sent out by the Police Federation who are being called to give evidence before the Royal Commission on capital punishment later in the year.

Policemen are invited to state whether they are in favour of hanging or any other method of execution, giving reasons. If they consider that a prison sentence should be the alternative to death they are asked how long the term should be.

They are also asked their opinion on what should be the penalty in the case of a police officer being murdered while on duty.

It is not generally known that the policeman who carries out the original arrest of a convicted murderer has to be present at the execution.

British Mountaineer Dead

LONDON, June 28 (PTI-Reuter)—The death of Mr. Frank Smythe, the author and mountaineer who was a member of the international expedition which attempted the ascend of Kanchanganga in 1930 was announced here today.

He was 48-year old.

He also carried out explorations round the source of the river Ganges and undertook expeditions in the Himalayas.

The death of Sir James Pitkeathly, Director-General of Aircraft in the Supply Department of the Government of India during the last world war, was also announced here today.

SEMOLINA FOR SALE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Fresh stocks of Semolina have been kept for sale at all the Government Grain Shops in Bombay City and Suburbs. It will be available at Re. 0-6-0 per lb. on production of Head of family card without any restrictions regarding quantum.

MUTT AND JEFF—Oh Well, Mutt Gets A Good Laugh For His Dough Anyway!

By BUD FISHER

LEND ME FIVE BUCKS, JEFF!
BUT YOU OWE ME TWENTY ALREADY, MUTT!
IT'S NOT MY FAULT! MY WIFE KEEPS ME BROKE ALL YEAR ROUND!
?
YEH, SHE'S ALWAYS BUYIN' NEW HATS!
HOW DO YOU LIKE THIS ONE ?
OH MY GOSH! I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO STOP LAUGHING AT THAT ONE!
YOU WILL WHEN YOU GET THE BILL TOMORROW!
Fisher

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